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SUMMARY.

Mr. McKenna's Budget speech, which was the greatest in history, was delivered in the House of Commons on Tuesday night.

It contained gigantic figures, and showed that the expenditure was £5,000,000 daily.

Extra taxation was proposed to bring in £500,000,000. New income taxes are to be imposed.

Copenhagen newspapers report a naval engagement in the Cattegat.

Cannonading has been heard, and a German destroyer, badly damaged, was later seen being towed past Helsingborg.

A French communique says the Germans bombarded the front of Douaumont and Vaux with great violence.

Infantry strongly attacked south of Douaumont in successive waves, followed by columns.

The French artillery, machine-guns, and rifles mowed them down, and they retreated in disorder.

The French have made further progress north of Caillette Wood.

A Berlin official message says the Germans captured strong French positions south of Douaumont in Caillette Wood.

A German communique says:—After powerful artillery preparation the English recaptured a crater at St. Eloi.

The Russians have repulsed the enemy's advance on the railway west of Tarnapol, in Galicia.

The Russians are advancing south-westerly on the region of Mush and Bitlis, in the Caucasus.

General Brandt has retired from the south-western command. The Czar has paid a tribute to his services.

Mr. Tennant stated in the House of Commons that the new defences against aircraft had proved very successful.

A French destroyer in the North Sea picked up a disabled German hydro-aeroplane and took the pilots prisoners.

Three Austrian seaplanes have been brought down by Italian batteries near Ancona.

Berlin claims that a naval air squadron bombarded Edinburgh, Leith, and the Forth docks with good results.

The statement is officially described in London as of the "usual inaccurate and bombastic type."

The Allies intend to continue searching American mails for contraband.

Delegates from the Attested Married Men's Union protested to Lord Derby against unmarried slackers.

It was urged that the attestation of married men ought to be cancelled in view of the numbers of single men not serving.

Lord Derby approved of the union's help in tracing unmarried slackers, and agreed that compulsion was essential.

It is estimated that 275,000 women have replaced men in industrial occupations in the United Kingdom.

A fire broke out in a powder factory in Kent, and a series of explosions took place. The casualties number 200.

Lord Cheimsford was welcomed by Lord Hardinge on his arrival at Bombay to assume the duties of Viceroy of India.

The Postmaster-General has appealed for economy in the demands for extra postal, telegraphic, and telephonic services.

The sittings of the Royal Commission on the allegations of corruption in connection with the petrol monopoly were opened yesterday.

The Attorney-General was the only witness examined, the rest of the sitting being taken up with Mr. Shand's opening statement.

The Assembly last night considered the amendments in the Naturalised Subjects' Franchise Bill.

The amendment making the disfranchisement of enemy subjects perpetual was disagreed with.

The construction of the proposed railway from Molong to Dubbo was agreed to.

The Council dealt further with the Sunday Trading Bill and the Superannuation Bill.

An amendment was inserted in the Superannuation Bill to bring it into force on July 1 unless both Houses decided to the contrary.

The State Parliament will meet likely proceed on Wednesday or Thursday next.

The Cabinet has decided to set apart £250,000 for the purpose of building suburban homes for incapacitated soldiers.

The matters in dispute between Ministerial members and the Government were discussed at a Cabinet yesterday morning.

No agreement could be reached with regard to the Trade Unions Amending Bill, and the Bill will be dropped.

The Minister for Home affairs has issued a circular in regard to drinking amongst the officers of his department.

"Slacker lists and efficient public business," says Mr. O'Malley, "are absolutely incompatible."

At Victoria Barracks yesterday 102 men offered their services, of whom 77 were accepted.

The Assembly last night carried a resolution appreciating the conduct of Mr. G. Cann and Mr. Arkins in enlisting.

It was stated that this State had contributed more members to the fighting line than all the other Legislatures combined.

The Australian Gaslight Company has appealed to the High Court to determine whether coal can be declared a necessary commodity.

At a Red Cross meeting yesterday Mr. W. J. Preston described his experiences in motor ambulances work in France.

The Tamworth District Council of the Farmers' and Settlers' Association has approved of the Liberal-Progressive compact.

A murder was perpetrated in a George-street hotel at an early yesterday morning, the victim being a Greek named Pappageorgi.

At the annual meeting of the Royal Alexandra Hospital it was reported that 22,300 cases had been attended to during the 12 months.

The strike of miners at Hill End is now in its fifth week, and there is still no sign of settlement.

A number of electrical fitters and mechanics in the employ of the Public Works Department have gone on strike.

The Tasmanian Government has decided to resign. The Premier will advise the Governor to send for Mr. Lee, leader of the Opposition.

The Chamber of Commerce has adopted resolutions on post-bellum trade problems to be submitted to the Brisbane conference.

It was stated at the N.S.A. meeting that the musketry instruction at Liverpool camp was very satisfactory.

The rifle range at the camp was described by one member of the council as the best in the world.

The Red Cross Commissioners in Egypt have asked for three more business men to take charge of depots.

The steamer Houtman, from Batavia, brought the remainder of the German mail steamer Roon's cargo for Sydney.

The secretary of the Anzac Day Committee reports that the prospects are daily becoming more encouraging.

Over 120 collecting sections have already been arranged for, and 4500 collecting boxes will be sent out.

The council of the Women's Liberal League protested against spending £1000 for the illumination of the Town Hall on Anzac Day.

There were no fresh developments yesterday in connection with the strike of fitters at the Eveleigh locomotive workshops.

It is expected that something definite will be decided on at a mass meeting at the Trades Hall to-night.

A delegation left for Melbourne last evening to interview the Minister for the Navy on the seamen's strike at Garden Island.

Kona May gold stocks again came into favor yesterday. Barrier shares and Eastern commanded solid support.

Business in dairy produce was quiet. Supplies of new-laid eggs were smaller. Cheese in short supply.

There was a steady demand for forage and stable lines at unaltered prices. Chaff advanced, and potatoes were lower.

Forecast.—Fine generally, except for scattered showers on the S.W. slopes and in Riverina, west to south-west winds.

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LEICHHARDT.—Brick Cott., 4 rooms and kit., must sell £500. Riedle, Illidge, and Co., 109 Pitt-st.

ANNANDALE.—New Brick Cottage, 3 min. trams, 4 rms., kit., £700. Riedle, Illidge, and Co., 109 Pitt-st.

CROYDON.

In a good position, above Double-fronted Brick Cottage of a superior type, 5 good rooms, kit., copper, laundry, and all conveniences. The land is 41 x 100, and is set out in lawns and garden. Price only £750 cash, or DEPOSIT £100 and £8 a week. To inspect call at Summer Hill Office.

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WAHROONGA, DEPOSIT £100, PRICE £900.—Nice Brick Cottage, 5 rooms, etc., 10 mins. station, land 50 x 171, more if required. WILLOUGHBY, DEPOSIT £250, PRICE £730. New Brick Cottage, 5 rooms, etc., beautiful views of Middle Harbour, land 50 x 150. NEUTRAL BAY, DEPOSIT £50, and 25/ A WEEK, paying off principal and interest, Price £650, land 25 x 120. ROSEVILLE, DEPOSIT £150, PRICE £1000.—D.F. Brick Cottage, 6 rooms, etc., lawns and gardens, nicely laid out, 10 mins. station, land 50ft x 150ft. SHORE and TUOHY, Limited.

PORT HACKING.—Cottage, 4 rms. and kit., furn., 5 mins. boat, land 50 x 150, price £250. KENSINGTON.—5-room New Brick Cottage, elec. light, large block land, high position, £940. NORTH SYDNEY.—Brick House and Shop, land 40 x 150, near McMahon's Pt., must be sold, £385. LEICHHARDT.—2 Brick Houses, each 6 rms. and kit., chen, large yard, and stables, the two at £1000. WILLOUGHBY.—New brick cottage, on Heights, perfect order, bargain at £550. WAITARA.—4-room Bungalow, near stn., 50 x 150, £375. Easy terms can be arranged for above. DAVID MURRAY, Auctioneer, 18 Castlereagh-street, near Moore-street.

DOCK.—2 mins. from tram, furn. Cott., 4 rms. and kit., and out., Land 50 x 150, cheap. LAKEMBA.—Just finished, W.B. Cottage, 4 rms., kit., and all modern conveniences. A snap. Easy terms. MOSMAN.—4 furnished Cottages, at Pretty Beach. Easy terms. Good spec. CHOICE BUILDING ALLOTMENTS, at Lindfield, Manly Heights, and Berowra.

DESSAIX and PINDER, Bernard's Buildings, 367 George-street, Sydney. And at Mosman. Tels., 4049 City; Y 1259 (Mosman).

CROYDON.—Cheap Land, 50 x 180, fenced, also Shed, for £110. Terms or cash price £100.

SUMMER HILL.—Superior Cottage Home, 6 good rooms, kit., etc., excellent order, £850.

HURLSTONE PARK.—Pretty Cottage Home, in good position, and ready to date, contains 5 rooms, kit., and laundry combined. Price, £750.

SUMMER HILL.—A cheap W.B. Shop and Dwelling, 4 rooms, kit., etc., £375.

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WAR SALE. SPRINGWOOD. GLORIOUS SPRINGWOOD. ON THE BEAUTIFUL BLUE MOUNTAINS. EXTRAORDINARY SACRIFICE OF 42 LOVELY LOTS. £50 Lots for £20 each. £75 Lots for £25 each. £100 Lots for £30 each. £45 Lots for £40 each. MY OWN LAND. TERMS: £1 DOWN, £1 MONTH. N.B.—THIS OFFER is open till April 30th only. Call for plan PERCY LOVELL, 81 Elizabeth-street.

HERE are a couple of Cottages, cannot be beaten. D.F. brick, slate r., hall, 6 rms. (4 bedrooms), kitchen, and laundry, gas stove, all offices, up to date, elec. light, sewered, land 40 x 140 (about), £675, or £10 deposit, £10 per month.

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ASHFIELD.—20 minutes Station.—£100 Deposit, balance at rent, now being built, Semi-detached Villas, each containing 6 rooms, bathroom, pantry, laundry, built veranda, gas stove, tiled hearths, electric light, Torrens Title. Land 30 x 130. Price £750. BALANCE AS RENT. Apply to the BUILDER, 31 Liverpool-street, Ashfield, or to SUPERVISOR, W. E. PARK, Bendan-avenue, Artarmon.

WATER FRONTAGE FACTORY or STORE, BALMAIN, 100ft (all that thereon). Good Buildings, 2 stories, with street frontage, by a depth of 200ft. Rent £104 per annum. Price £2000, or will lease for 3 years, with option of purchase at £2000, or without option at £2100, singly or the lot, £100. A.J., Balmain P.O.

ROSE BAY.—Fine Allotment, 613 South Head-rd, sew., gas., & light, cheap. Block, Sibraad., Dumaresq.

HOUSES AND LAND FOR SALE.

ABURN.—CHEAPEST OFFERED, WONDERFUL VALUE, BEST RESIDENTIAL POSITION in District, SUPERIOR D.F. VILLA, contg. 5 large rooms, laundry, bath, copper, tubs, etc., large block land, Must Sell Quick. Only £445. ROBERT HARLEY and SONS, opp. Stn., AUBURN.

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LIDCOMBE.—Chance for Working Man, only £150, and we can finance buyer. Small COTTAGE, can be added to, large block land, splendid growing ground, Torrens title.

BERALLA, 20 minutes city. Easiest of Easy Terms. Right at the Station. NEW D.F. BRICK VILLA, 4 large rooms, plastered throughout, Rhoda ceilings, laundry, and all conves. large block land, Torrens, £450. Be wise, and secure your Home at the Station. ROBERT HARLEY and SONS, opp. Stn., LIDCOMBE.

KILLEN and THOMAS, HOUSE, LAND, and BUSINESS AGENTS, Terry's chambers, 11 Castlereagh-street. ASHFIELD.—Self-Contained BRICK VILLA (quite new), slate roof, containing 4 good rooms, kit., chen, laundry, bathroom, glassed-in back verandah, electric light and gas laid on, also good water service. Land, 50ft x 150ft. Price Torrens, £30 deposit, balance spread on long terms. BELLEVUE HILL.—Fair Sized Detached Brick COTTAGE (new), excellent situation, close to tram stop, each containing 5 large rooms, kitchen, laundry, bathroom, sleeping-out verandahs, gas stove, connected, and gas heater in sitting room, electric light and water and sewerage. Land, 35 x 150. Title Torrens. In occupation by tenants returning at weekly. Price reasonable, Good terms can be arranged. KOGARAH.—Choice W.B. COTTAGE, containing 4 good rooms, kitchen, laundry, and all conveniences, excellent gas and water service. Land 40 x 150. Torrens Title. High situation, 5 mins. from rail. station. This place is unusually well built. Price low for quick sale. TERMS.

CANTERBURY, £75 deposit and 25s. 5 mins. train, good street.—D.F. Br., 3 rms., 5 rms., all offices. Land, 40 x 122, cheap, £265.

SUMMER HILL, £90 deposit and 8/ w., 6 mins. train, good street.—D.F. Br., 3 rms., 4 rms., all offices, cheap, £265.

STANMORE-PETERSHAM, £80.—Br. Cottage, 5 rms., etc., good st. car. A gift.

WARDELL-ROAD STATION (first Street).—Charming HOME, coming better, D.F. Br. Cottage, 6 rms., all offices, large grounds, gift at £1130, offer.

A. D. MILLAR, Petersham

Tel., 1274 Pet. LEICHHARDT.—LIGHTFIELD. THE BEST STREET. D.F. Wtd. VILLA, 4 large rooms, kitchen, laundry, bathroom, back and front verandah, every convenience, good allotment land.

PRICE, £395, or near offer. A. G. BOARD, 765 Norton-street, Leichhardt.

LEICHHARDT, A BARGAIN. GOOD STREET. D.F. Wtd. COTTAGE, 4 rooms, kit., etc., large block land, room for stable. ONLY £365. A. G. BOARD, 765 Norton-street, Leichhardt.

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ONE OF BRENNAN'S UP-TO-DATE VILLAS, built on land 50 x 145, and note the size of the rooms:— Drawing-room 18 x 11, dining-room 21 x 14, 6ft tall, bedrooms 01 x 10, 14 x 12, 15 x 12, 12 x 10; ceilings 10ft 6in high; lovely bathroom, kitchen, handy linen presses, scenery, 5ft tiled verandah, garden, and lawns. Motor garage, electric light. Only £1750.

A. BRENNAN, 84 Bedford-street, Redfern. 'Phone, 661 Redfern.

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TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

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FAIR DEAL, 4 years, by Patrillo (imp.), dam Shuttle (imp.), a maiden.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR,
(CAMPERDOWN)
(CITY).

THIS DAY,
COMMENCING AT 10.30 SHARP.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, as under:—
AT 10.30 A.M.
HEAVY and LIGHT HORSES, TURNOUTS, and VEHICLES of all descriptions.
AT 11.30 A.M.
ON ACCOUNT OF OWNER.
CHESTNUT PONY GELDING, 13.3, broken to saddle and harness, very quiet, Bailey, and set of Harness. Also Bay Draught Gelding, broken to single and double harness.

MILCH COWS.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11 A.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will hold their Usual Weekly Sale of Milch Cows at their Yards, Quay-street, as above. The following will be the order of sale, viz.:—Messrs. ANSHAW, McINTOSH BROS., and BUFFIER.
60 First-class Milch Cows, in full milk, and picked from some of the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter districts.
FIRST-CLASS GUERNSEY COW.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. S. JONES to sell by auction, at their Quay-street Yards, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
FIRST-CLASS GUERNSEY COW, one week calved, giving 18 quarts.
10 FIRST-CLASS MILCH COWS.

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10 FIRST-CLASS MILCH COWS, including one Jersey Cow, extra heavy milker.

WAGGA HORSE SALE.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, APRIL 7.
250 HEAD. 250 HEAD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON, SYDNEY, and MEURANT and BLAKE, Auctioneers in conjunction, will hold their next Horse Sale at the WAGGA YARDS as above.

BUYERS going from Sydney to the above Sale will require to leave THIS (Thursday) NIGHT by the 10.5 Albury Mail.

HORSES, HORSES, HORSES.
INGLIS'S BAZAAR,
CAMPERDOWN,
CITY.

TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON,
AT 2 O'CLOCK.
70 HEAD. 70 HEAD.
including
A CHOICE CONSIGNMENT OF PONIES DIRECT FROM THE BREEDER, Mr. E. W. SPARKE, WEST MAITLAND.

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70 HIGH-CLASS HORSES, comprising DRAUGHTS, LORRY, VAN, BUSINESS CART, AND LIGHT HARNESS SORTS; and CHOICE PONIES.

Full particulars to-morrow's issue.

QUIRINDI HORSE SALE.
TUESDAY NEXT, APRIL 11.
250 HEAD. 250 HEAD.

WILLIAM INGLIS AND SON, SYDNEY; and WILLIAM CADELL, QUIRINDI, will hold their Next Horse Sale as above.

Full particulars next Saturday.

ST. MARYS CATTLE SALE.

OUR NEXT SALE OF STORE AND DAIRY CATTLE WILL BE HELD AT OUR
ST. MARYS YARDS
on
FRIDAY, APRIL 14th.

Owners who intend favouring us with the Sale of their Stock on the above date will oblige by sending particulars early.

WILLIAM INGLIS AND SON,
Head Office, 251A Pitt-street, Sydney.

HORSES, HORSES, HORSES.
60 HEAD. 60 HEAD.
BEALE'S SALEYARD, HOMEBUSH (Sydney).
SATURDAY NEXT, APRIL 8,
1.30 P.M.
J. H. BEALE AND CO.
WILL SELL BY AUCTION
60 HEAD OF FRESH COUNTRY HORSES, comprising all classes, broken and unbroken.
Fuller particulars later; also Several Sulky and other Turnouts.
Auctioneers' Offices: 220 Pitt-st, Sydney. T., City 2951.

BARTON and NESS have received instructions from L. HALL and SON, Carriers, corner CLARENCE and CROSS-STREETS, CAMPSIE, TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, ON THE PREMISES,
SATURDAY, APRIL 8th, 1916, AT 3 P.M.,
The whole of their Carrying Business, consisting of
5 YOUNG VAN HORSES, ages 3 to 5; 3-SPRING VANS, nearly new; and HARNESS complete;
Also,
6-ROOMED WEATHERBOARD COTTAGE and CONFECTIONERY SHOP. LAND, 60 x 140. CORNER POSITION.
The Property is in splendid order and condition, and rare chance for intending purchasers.
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MOSS VALE.
SPECIAL CATTLE SALE.
800 HEAD. 800.
MOSS VALE YARDS,
SATURDAY, 8th APRIL, 1916.

J. D. WOOD AND CO. will sell by auction, at the above Yards, on SATURDAY, 8th APRIL, 1916, at 1.30 p.m. sharp,
800 MIXED CATTLE, comprising Store Cows, Dairy Heifers, Steers, and young Cattle.

MOSSMAN and ELLIS will sell by auction at their Stores, at 27 George-street South, THIS DAY, Eggs, Butter, Honey, etc., and a large quantity of Poultry of every description. Pigeons, Birds, Game, etc. EGGS, BUTTER, etc., at 1.30 p.m. sharp. POULTRY, BIRDS, GAME, etc., 2.15 p.m. sharp.

THE POULTRY FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, Ltd., will sell by auction at their salerooms, 3 and 4 Municipal Poultry Markets, Ultimo-road, THIS DAY,
AT 12.30 p.m., Eggs, Fruit, Sundries, etc.
At 1.30 p.m., Poultry of all descriptions, Suckers, etc.

C. TURNER and SONS will sell at their Rooms, Quay and Ultimo streets, Haymarket, THIS DAY, as under:—1.15, Ducklings, Chicks, Birds, etc.
1.30, Eggs, then Poultry.

PRODUCE SALES will be held TO-DAY, as under:—
TALLOW, at 10.30 a.m.

THIS DAY,
THURSDAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.,
at the Rooms,
250 PITT-STREET
(4 doors from Park-street).

RUBE ZIONS
will sell by Public Auction,
THE COMPLETE FURNISHINGS OF 20 ROOMS,
Removed from the
CRITERION HOTEL,
PITT-STREET,
for Convenience of Sale,
comprising:—

Oak, Mahogany, and Walnut Sideboards, Dining, Kitchen, and Occasional Tables, Oak Dining-room suites, Easy Chairs and Divan Couches, Single and Double Bedroom Suites (in Oak, Polished Walnut, and Pine), LARGE EUREKA GAS STOVE, Single and Double Steinteads and Bedding, HANNAM'S BATH-HEATER (with shower), Blankets, Bed and Table Linen, Crockery, Cutlery, Kitchen Utensils, ELECTRIC CEILING and WALL FANS, Austrian Chairs, Chests of Drawers, Washstands, LARGE QUANTITY OF LINOLEUM, etc., etc.

SEVERAL VERY LARGE SHOP MIRRORS.
LARGE QUANTITY VENETIAN BLINDS (all sizes).
MILNER'S SAFE.

Now on View.

ABSOLUTELY NO RESERVE.

Outdoor Sales Conducted in any part of the State.

Visitations made for Probate, Family Division, etc.

FURNITURE, PIANOS, MERCHANDISE, MOTOR CARS, etc.
Now Received at the Rooms for Thursday's Weekly Sale.

Cash Advances Made (if required) on Goods sent in for Unreserved Sale.

RUBE ZIONS,
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250 PITT-STREET (near Park-street).
TELEPHONE, CITY 888.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6.
At Circular Quay (West side), old N.D.L. Wharf.
AT 11.30 A.M.
ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.
With all Faults (if any), ex Westralia.
IN BOND.
25/9in Diamond; P.H.B. Outside.
21 SACKS SHELLED PEANUTS.

FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., LTD., have received instructions to Sell by Auction as above,
Telephone, City 8877. City Address, 3 Hamilton-st.

THIS DAY, APRIL 6th, AT 10.30 A.M.
At the Central Auction Rooms, 261 Pitt-street.
On Account of THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE.
WATCHES AND A SMALL LOT OF JEWELLERY.
A. G. JENKINS will sell as above THIS MORNING, WITHOUT RESERVE.
UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.
THIS DAY, APRIL 6th, AT 11 A.M.
A. G. JENKINS will sell at his Rooms, 261 Pitt-street, the Unredeemed Pledges, pawned with the Sydney Head Office, consisting of
WATCHES, RINGS, AND OTHER JEWELLERY.

AUCTION SALES.

RANDWICK,

AUCTION SALE, WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY,
6th APRIL, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM
MRS. N. ANDERSON,
IN CONSEQUENCE OF RELINQUISHING HOUSEKEEPING.

AT HER RESIDENCE,
GOONOO
ST. MARK'S-ROAD, NEAR FRENCHMAN'S-ROAD, RANDWICK.

SUPERIOR FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

FUMED OAK DINING-ROOM,
COMPLETE SUITE.

VALUABLE WATER-COLOUR DRAWING, "MAGPIE," BY THE LATE NEVILLE CAYLEY, 1897.
GOLDEN OAK HALLSTAND, with Settle Seat and Bevelled Mirror back.
ROYAL AXMINSTER HALL CARPET, 30ft.
ROYAL AXMINSTER BORDERED CARPETS.

SUPERIOR WALNUT-FINISH BEDROOM SUITES.
ENAMELLED BLACK AND BRASS BEDSTEADS, and Complete Bedding.
COMBINATION DRESSING CHESTS.
KITCHEN FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

TIGER LAWN MOWER, GARDEN HOSE, GARDEN TOOLS, and SUNDRIES.

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JAMES R. LAWSON,
FINE ART, FURNITURE, AND GENERAL AUCTIONEER,
196 and 198 CASTLEREAGH-STREET,
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MAGNIFICENT BRONZE BUST,
"A ROMAN WARRIOR,"
By H. HANNAH,
TOGETHER WITH FINE CUT GILT BRONZE PEDESTAL

FINE GILT BRONZE FIGURE,
"THE AWAKENING,"
by P. PHILIPPE.

GRANDFATHER CLOCK,
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IN FINE OLD MAHOGANY CHIME CASE.

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VALUABLE PIANOFORTE,
BY MELLSHIPTON AND SONS, LONDON.
*** A Magnificent Instrument, in new order. An instrument possessing exceptionally fine tone qualities. Worthy special attention.

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SEVERAL PIANOFORTES,
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TOGETHER WITH EXTRA NIGHT GLASS AND GREEN BAIZE LINED CASE,
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THE COLLECTION MADE BY THE CELEBRATED AUSTRALIAN WAR CORRESPONDENT ON THE BATTLE FIELDS OF LOUVAIN, ANTWERP, MALINES, ATHIS, TERMONDE.

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EXTENSIVE FURNITURE SALE,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
7th APRIL, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.,
UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM
MRS. AMBROSE PRATT.
AND FOR AND ON ACCOUNT OF SEVERAL VENDORS.

SUPERIOR MODERN FURNITURE
and
HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS,
FORWARDED TO THE ROOMS FOR CONVENIENCE OF SALE.

TABLE GLASS, CHINA, AND ELECTROPLATE.
FUMED OAK DINING-ROOM SUITES.
MAGNIFICENT CARVED DARK OAK SIDEBOARD.
DARK TELESCOPE DINING TABLE, with Spare Leaves, extending about 10 feet.
WALNUT DINING-ROOM SUITE, very solid carved frames, upholstered in leather.

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A VERY LARGE BOOKCASE, SUITABLE FOR LIBRARY, SOLICITORS' OFFICES, ETC., SIZE 8FT. SPECIALLY MADE TO ORDER IN ENGLAND.

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A VERY BEAUTIFUL UPRIGHT MODEL, IN WALNUT CASE, NO. 30692, IN PERFECT CONDITION, PRACTICALLY A NEW PIANO.

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IN AMERICAN WALNUT CASE, ONLY RECENTLY IMPORTED FROM THE FAMOUS AMERICAN MAKERS, "ESTEY." THIS SUPERB INSTRUMENT SHOULD APPEAL TO ALL LOVERS OF A HIGH-GRADE PIANOFORTE.

TWO AMERICAN ORGANS.

HANDSOME WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE,
comprising
COMMODIOUS DOUBLE WARDROBE, WITH TWO BEVELLED-EDGE PLATEGLASS DOORS, NUMEROUS DRAWERS, and EXTENSIVE HANGING COMPARTMENTS.
FULL CHEVAL PEDESTAL DRESSING TABLE, WITH EXTRA LARGE DRESSING GLASS and NUMEROUS DRAWERS.
FULL PEDESTAL WASHSTAND, with ENCLOSED CUPBOARDS and MARBLE TOP.
ARTISTIC MODERN OAK BEDROOM SUITE.

ALL-BRASS BEDSTEADS,
FUMED OAK BEDSTEADS,
and
A VERY EXTENSIVE LIST
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GENERAL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
REQUISITES AND EFFECTS.

VERY SUPERIOR ENGLISH PERAMBULATOR (cost £6/10/ in London).

HOBB COMBINATION DENTIST and BARBER'S CHAIR, WITH WHITE'S HEAD REST.

TWIN CYLINDER MOTOR CYCLE,
IN GOOD GOING ORDER.

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OF
FINE ARTS, FURNITURE, AND GENERAL EFFECTS,
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Near Park-street,

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AUCTION SALES.

ABRIDGED ADVERTISEMENT.
FULLER PARTICULARS WERE ADVERTISED IN THE AUCTION COLUMNS OF YESTERDAY'S "HERALD" and "TELEGRAPH."

HIGHLY IMPORTANT
FURNITURE SALE
AT
THE CENTRAL AUCTION ROOMS
OF
W. A. LITTLE,
No. 98 PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.
(Two Doors from corner of Moore-street),
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 6,
AT 10.30 SHARP.
COMMENCING WITH THE LOTS IN THE UPSTAIRS SALE ROOMS.

VALUABLE ENGLISH CARVED FURNITURE
AND
COSTLY APPOINTMENTS.
By Order of
CHRISTOPHER BENNETT, ESQ.,
REMOVED FROM HIS COUNTRY RESIDENCE,
"ROTHERWOOD," SUTTON FOREST,
FOR CONVENIENCE OF SALE.

Also,
BY ORDER OF
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HANDSOME MODERN FURNITURE
AND
COSTLY HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS.
***RECENTLY SUPPLIED BY
HEARD, WATSON, LTD.,
AND
NOW IN COURSE OF REMOVAL FROM THEIR STORES TO MY ROOMS FOR ADEQUATE DISPLAY AND CONVENIENCE OF SALE.

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STOCK OF COLONIAL WINES,
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Lease of Premises, Wine License, and Goodwill of an old-established business. To be first submitted in one lot as a going concern. Failing a satisfactory offer, to be sold in lots to suit purchasers.

BARNARD AND CO.,
will sell by auction, as above,
POSITIVELY WITHOUT RESERVE:
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IMPORTANT SALE.
MONDAY NEXT, 10th INST., AT 11 A.M.,
on the Premises,
CHURCH WELCOME HOME, GEORGE-STREET, DAWES POINT.

THE WHOLE OF THE FURNISHINGS,
including
WALNUT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, Newman and Sons.
A practically new instrument, of British manufacture, and in perfect order.

Wal. Fin. Sideboards, Dining and Other Tables.
100 AUSTRIAN AND AMERICAN CHAIRS.
Mirrors, Walnut Bookcase, Overmantels.
LINOLEUMS, WRITING TABLES, SEA GRASS CHAIRS.
Combination Chests of Drawers, Washstands.
WALNUT FINISH BEACONSFIELD BEDROOM SUITE.
Toilet Tables, Corner Wardrobes, Blankets, Bed Linen.
150 SINGLE BEDSTEADS COMPLETE.
SINGER DROPHEAD MACHINE, GAS STOVE.
Ice Chest, Books, General Furniture.

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THIS DAY, THURSDAY,
at 11 A.M.
at the Residence,
OAKLEA, OCEAN-STREET, SOUTH HEAD,
close Hurrell-street.
IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.
SUPERIOR FURNITURE AND EFFECTS,
consisting of
Sundry Ornaments, Pictures, Table Requisites.
SOLID WALNUT DINING-ROOM SUITE, upholstered in leather. Overmantel.
MAPLE SIDEBOARD, nine ft.
BOOKCASE and CEDAR WRITING DESK.
FULL UPRIGHT GRAND ROSEWOOD PIANO, a first-class instrument, in first-class order and condition, cost £90.
ROSEWOOD DRAWING-ROOM SUITE.
Marble top Chiffonier Cabinet, Marble Time Piece, French Movement;
Carpet Square and Linoleum, 9ft 6in Hall Stand.
OAK BEDROOM SUITE. Double, Three-quarter, and Single Bedsteads and Bedding.
Chests of Drawers, Wardrobe, and Dressing Table.
Enclosed Kitchen Dresser, Table, and Utensils.
Lawn Mower, and Sundries.
ON VIEW THIS MORNING, prior to SALE.

ALLDIS AND CO.,
AUCTIONEERS, 82 PITT-STREET,
have been instructed by the Owner, in consequence of the sale of the Property, to sell by auction, without reserve, as above.

TO GROCERS, TOBACCONISTS, FURNITURE BUYERS, SHOPKEEPERS, DEALERS, Etc.,
AT 277A CROWN-STREET, near Oxford-street.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 10.30 A.M.
Stock of General GROCERIES, TOBACCOS, etc.
LOLLY JARS, superior Ice Chest, Shelving, Counter, American Alarm Till, Showcases, Brass Lolly Scales.
DAYTON'S COMPUTING SCALES, to 70lb.
BACON CUTTER, Cheese Cutter, Cigarettes, etc.
Also Floorcloths, Tables, Easy and other Chairs.
Washstands, Bedsteads, Overmantel, Safe.
NATIONAL CASH REGISTER, latest improvements.
Total Adder, registers up to £5. Without any Reserve.

M. GOULTSON AND CO
will sell, THIS DAY, at 10.30 a.m.
THIS DAY.
JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 392 Pitt-street,
The Unredeemed Pledges pawned with F. LEWIS, of the GLEBE MONT DE PIETE, 153 GLEBE-ROAD, GLEBE.
AT 11 O'CLOCK, CLOTHING, including—
BED AND TABLE LINEN, DRESSES, UNDERCLOTHING, SUITS, OVERCOATS, BLANKETS, BOOTS, MACINTOSHES, Etc.
At 2.30 O'CLOCK, SUNDRIES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.
At 3 O'CLOCK, JEWELLERY, including GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, DIAMOND RINGS, BANGLES, BROOCHES, NECKLETS, LOCKETS, Etc.
SIGNET, KEEPER, WEDDING, AND FANCY RINGS.
THIS DAY, AT 1.30 O'CLOCK SHARP.
HENRY LEVY will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 125 Regent-street, city, the Unredeemed Pledges pawned with MRS. J. Solomon, of 120 Mullens-street, Rozelle:—8 s, h h, and fancy diamond rings, gold albertu, bangles, brooches, pendants, rings, earrings, muff chains, gold and silver watches, sewing machines, men's sac suits, shirts, boots, trousers, overcoats, women's and children's dresses, underclothing, skirts, shoes, bed and table linen, blankets, curtains, sundries.
THIS DAY, AT 2 O'CLOCK,
AT 170 GEORGE-STREET WEST, near Shepherd-street.
MIDDLETON AND CO. are instructed by Mr. G. RUSSELL to sell by auction, Plateglass Sideboard, Dining Suite, Hatstands, Clocks, Ornamentia, Carpet, Lino., Rugs, Bedsteads, Bedding, Combination Chest, Wardrobe, Washstand, Ware, Crockery, Tables, Chairs, Dresser, Cutlery, Cooking Utensils, Furniture.

BUILDING MATERIALS.
BRIDGE-ROAD, No. 57, near Hudson's Timber Yard,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 6th, at 11 a.m.,
CONTENTS OF LARGE WEATHERBOARD COTTAGE,
150 SHEETS IRON, 6 to 8 ft., good.
1500ft WEATHERBOARDS, CLEAR.
3000ft 4 x 2, 4 x 3 JOISTS, to 20 ft.
1000ft 4 x 2, 3 x 2 RAFTERS, BRICKS, and STONE.
1500ft FLOORING, H.W. and Kauri.
LINING and PARTITION BOARDS, SKIRTING,
ARCHITRAVES, MANTELS and grates, Fencing.
PANEL and LEDGE DOORS and JAMBS.
WINDOWS, WATER PIPES, TAPS, and host of Sundries. This is a good clean lot of Timber.
EDGAR ALE,
has received instructions from Mr. C. Wainwright to sell the above. Tel., 623 Randwick.

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ON THE GROUND,
SATURDAY NEXT,
APRIL 8, AT 2.30.
NO. 2 SUBDIVISION OF THE
NEW HAVEN ESTATE.
FRONTING THE MAIN FLUSHCOMBE-ROAD, AND NEW HAVEN-ROAD, BOTH 66 FEET WIDE, METAL.
AND ONLY 12 MINUTES FROM BLACKTOWN STATION.
40 SPLENDID POULTRY FARM AND RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS, 200 x 200.
TERMS 10/ DEPOSIT, BALANCE 10/ PER MONTH, 5 PER CENT. INTEREST.
S. C. SMITH AND CO.,
AUCTIONEERS,
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FOR BONA-FIDE AUCTION,
AT THE ROYAL EXCHANGE, SYDNEY,
THIS DAY,
at 12 o'clock noon,
"NORTH MERROWIE"
and
"MERRI MERRIGAL,"
SEPARATELY.
Under instructions from the TRUSTEES OF THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF A. B. TRIGGS,
we will offer the above properties in accord with detailed particulars previously advertised.
NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY CO., LTD.
HAIN AND SHARLAND, Limited,

FURNITURE. UNRESERVED SALE,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M.,
AT THE BURWOOD AUCTIONEER MART
(the best spot in this State for all who are Furnishing well).
THE COMPLETE APPOINTMENTS OF A COTTAGE,
BAYVIEW-ROAD, FIVE DOCK, by order of Mr. Stanley Fears, who is settling in Queensland.
ALSO, BY ORDER OF AN ASHFIELD LADY, THE CONTENTS OF HER COTTAGE, Removed from Milton-street, South.
AND ON BEHALF OF A SUBURBAN SHOPKEEPER, who is retiring, A MAGNIFICENT STEEL SAFE, measuring 36 x 22 x 22, with 2 drawers; also wooden stand for same.
AND SEVERAL LIKES OF SUPERIOR FURNITURE, worthy of inspection.
And on account of Sundry Vendors, A BIG ASSORTMENT OF HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS AND GENERAL REQUISITES, that should not be missed by the Trade and General Buyers TO-MORROW.
We cordially invite inspection throughout this day and early To-morrow, prior to Sale at 11 a.m.
Buyers from Mountains and Country Parts will find it greatly to their advantage to attend these Fortnightly Auction Sales, as they can pack and send Goods Direct per Train or to Steamer from here.
WE HAVE THREE PIANOS FOR SALE that should suit for Mountains, etc., etc.
Special Attention is directed to three Large Bedroom Suites for Auction Sale. ALSO GRAND SIDEBOARDS and SUITES of DINING ROOMS, CARPETS, etc., etc.
Ashing Early Attendance of old and new Customers of this old and favourite Firm and Salerooms, we are, Your Faithful Servants,
STRONGMAN AND WATKIN.
N.B.—At 2 p.m., Thirty Cases Prime APPLES, from a Bowral grower. Unreserved, of course.

REDFERN.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY,
AT 11,
on the Premises,
81 BOURKE-STREET, near Police Station, REDFERN.
ALL THE CONTENTS, IN SPLENDID ORDER, comprising
Very nice SIDEBOARD, DINING TABLE and COVER, 6 HIGH-BACK D. CHAIRS.
CURTAINS and BLINDS.
GOOD HALL RUNNER, LINOLEUM.
CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, ORNAMENTS and VASES.
WARDROBE, COMBINATION CHESTS.
M.Y. WASHSTAND, T. WARE.
3 SINGLE BEDSTEADS, complete with Bed Linen.
FLOOR COVERING, CURTAINS and BLINDS.
on
KIT. TABLE, KIT. CHAIRS, KIT. UTENSILS.
OILCLOTH, CARPET STRIP.
LOT SUNDRIES, Etc., Etc.
EDGAR HEBDEN BRODRIBB will sell as above, WITHOUT RESERVE.

NEW CITY-ROAD AUCTION ROOMS.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11,
SEVERAL SPLENDID PIANOS AND ORGANS, in good order.
Drawing, Dining, Hall, Single, and Double Bedroom Kitchen, Yard, and Laundry Utensils.
Crockery, Glass, and Enamel Ware.
Carpets, Lino., and Oilcloth, equal new.
A 1 BILLIARD TABLE, best make, Cues, and Balls, in good order.
EDGAR HEBDEN BRODRIBB,
66 AND 68 CITY-ROAD.
Tel., 653 Redfern.

AUCTION SALE, at IVINGTON, Orwell-st, Rozelle, near Darley Tram, THURSDAY, April 6, at 1.30 p.m.—HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, incl. Oak Dining Suite, 3 pieces; Sideboard and Table to match; Wardrobe, Cabob, Chairs, D. and Table to match; Washstands, Linen, Beds and Bedding, Kit. Dressers, Tables, Chairs, Crockery, Glassware, and Sundries.
J. F. BENNETT and CO. are instructed to sell as above.

AUCTION SALES.

ORDER OF SALE.
CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the Rooms,
92 PITT-STREET,
AT 11.30 A.M.,
TO-MORROW (FRIDAY).

CITY.—STORE, No. 59 Clarence-lane, little north of Margaret-street. Executors' Sale.
PADDINGTON.—HOUSE, No. 57 Glenmore-road, and Vacant LAND through to Hopewell-street, near Oxford-street.
BELLEVUE HILL.—COTTAGE RESIDENCE, "Florenzal," Robyn-street, off Bellevue Hill-road, near tram. Trustees' Sale.
VAUCLUSE.—COTTAGE, Wentworth-road, in occupation of Mr Whitelaw. Mortgagee's Sale.
WAVERLEY.—COTTAGE, Chesterfield-parade, close to Macpherson-street.
MANLY.—COTTAGE RESIDENCE, "Shackally," and Grounds, Lauderdale-avenue, Bower and Orchard streets.
ASHFIELD.—Two HOUSES, "Oxford" and "Cambridge," Nos. 1 and 3 Joseph-street. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—COTTAGE, "Headingly," No. 5 Joseph-street. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—COTTAGE, "Danbury," No. 9 Joseph-street. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—COTTAGE, "Inglewood," No. 11 Joseph-street. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—COTTAGE, "Solanthe," No. 13 Joseph-street. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—Two HOUSES, "Roysome" and "St. Clement's," Nos. 15 and 17, Joseph-street. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—HOUSE, No. 40, Queen-street, between Arthur and Roberts streets. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—Corner BUILDING SITE, Holden and Norton streets. Trustees' Sale.
DULWICH HILL.—Two COTTAGES, Lincoln-street, off Pile-street. Executors' Sale.
ARTARMON.—COTTAGE, Mowbray-road West, close to Dalrymple-avenue. Mortgagee's Sale.
KOGARAH.—W.B. COTTAGE and Stable, Rocky Point-road, opposite Kogarah-road. Executors' Sale.
BRIGHTON LE SANDS.—ALLOTMENT, President-avenue, close to Esplanade. Executors' Sale.
PENSHURST.—CORNER LOT, Penshurst and Clarence streets.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, LTD.

TO-DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11.30,
ON ACCOUNT OF MORTGAGEES, TRUSTEES, Etc.
PUBLIC AUCTION SALE
OF SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
IN THE ASSOCIATION ROOMS, 20 CASTLEREAGH-ST.
ORDER OF SALE.
CROYDON.—GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE, Rathgar, Bay-street, 9 rooms, complete offices, man's cottage, stabling, etc. Land about 1½ acre. Torrens. Deceased Estate.
BONDI.—BRICK COTTAGE, Amethyst, Park-parade, facing Waverley Park, 7 rooms, kitchen, and offices. Land, 41 x 135. Torrens. Trustees' Sale. (In conjunction with Mr. Victor Cohen.)
STABLES and BRICK COTTAGE, Parramatta-road, Burwood, 5 rooms, kitchen, and offices. ALSO 7-stall Stables, feedroom, etc. Land, 54 x 204. Torrens.
CENTENNIAL PARK ALLOTMENT, facing park, 19 York-road, Waverley, 40 x 140, fenced. Torrens. Trustees' Sale.
MONA VALE INVESTMENT, corner Bayview-road and Pine-street, in one line or separately, 2 Brick Cottages and Subdivision Block. Land, 11 acres, Torrens. Deceased Estate.
CHELTENHAM BLOCK, alongside railway, unimproved, 600 to Beecroft-road x 300 (about). Torrens. Trustee Sale.
COOGEE COTTAGES.—Three in Brook-street, near Oberon-street, new, each 4 rooms, verandahs, and porches, kit., and offices. Land, 100 x 200. Torrens. (In conjunction with Fred. A. Eggleton.)
BELMORE ALLOTMENT, 60 x 204, corner Phillip and Loftus streets. Freehold.
LAKEMBA ALLOTMENTS, 102 x 150, in Ridgwell-street, ALSO 50 x 405 in Croydon-street, near station. Torrens.
ST. PETERS.—COTTAGE, 29 Sutherland-street, 4 rooms and kitchen. Land, 30 x 105. Torrens. Deceased Estate.
HYDE BLOCK, suit Institution or farm, 9½ acres elevated bush land, near Princes-street tram stop. Torrens.
ROSEVILLE SPEC., in Lord-street, near Archibald-road, SMALL W.B. COTTAGE. Land, 100 x 200. Torrens. Trustee Sale.
TURRAMURRA BLOCK, ¾-mile station, 297ft to Turramurra-avenue and 200ft to Karuah-street. Torrens. Mortgagee Sale.

H. W. HORNING AND CO., LTD.,
AUCTIONEERS.

THIS SATURDAY, AT 3.
BARGAINS ON EASY TERMS.
THE NEW SEASIDE SUBURB,
TAREN POINT, SANS SOUCI.

TAKES ONLY A FEW MINUTES MORE NOW TO GO TO TAREN POINT THAN IT DOES TO GO TO COOGEE. Go by train to Kogarah, tram to Sans Souci, and via the new tramway point. . . . Time of journey right through, 45 minutes. Combined train and tram weekly tickets between Sans Souci and Sydney, 2s 5d. . . . 50 trains to and fro daily.
SPLENDID ABSOLUTE WATER FRONTAGES on gentle slopes, even graded, and free from rock.
SOME LOTS WITH FRONTAGE TO THE PARK AND WOOLAWARE BAY.
MAIN ROAD SITES FOR HOMES AND SHOPS.
CHOICE WEEK-END AND RESIDENTIAL LOTS.
AND BLOCKS OF GOOD SOIL, FOR POULTRY FARMS AND GARDENS.

SPECIAL EASY TERMS:
ON WATER-FRONTAGE LOTS, £5 down, and rest in 48 monthly payments.
ON SECTION 3 AND 4, £2 down, and rest in 48 monthly payments.
FOR ALL OTHER LOTS, £1 down, and 10s per month.
INTEREST in all cases at 5 per cent. per annum.
TAREN POINT IS NOW THE KEY TO CRONULLA—the new punt cuts out nine miles—and Cronulla is daily drawing nearer. A LINE OF COACHES and MOTOR COACHES will ply between the two in a few days. AND A TRAM MUST FOLLOW.
Illustrated Plans from the Auctioneers.
H. W. HORNING AND CO., LTD.,
131 PITT-STREET.

SPECIAL.—Free Motor Cars on Saturday meet all Cronulla trains to and fro at Wine Bar stop. Free Cars will also meet the punt at Taren Point and convey buyers through the Estate.

CRONULLA.
CRONULLA.
NEXT SATURDAY,
APRIL 8, 1916.
Under instructions from the owner.
FOR ACTION SALE.
On the Ground, CASTLEWOOD, Woolooware-road, at 2.30 p.m.
The whole property, as it stands, the position being absolutely the pick of the estate, distinctly situated only 1 minute from the tram, with a frontage of 285 feet to Woolooware-road, overlooking the whole of Cronulla, Gunnamatta, Burraneer, and Botany Bays, National Park, etc.
The BRICK RESIDENCE, which was recently burnt, comprises 8 rooms, hall, kitchen, bath room, laundry, verandah all round, and tower. While the outside walls picked glossed-face bricks, are intact, and ready for again reinstating the woodwork.
There is also a detached Brick Building, not damaged, comprising Garage, and Man's Room.
The property is securely fenced, and the Title Torrens. Terms will be given.
A CHANCE FOR A SPECULATIVE BUILDER.
287 sheets of Galvanised Iron will also be sold in lots, also some Timber, and a 4-seater Motor Body.
C. MONRO,
Auctioneer, Cronulla. 'Phone, 475 Kogarah.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
Sheriff's Office, Sydney,
24th March, 1916.
F. MOLL v GRABOW, H.
ON THURSDAY, the 6th day of APRIL, 1916, at noon, unless the Writ of Fieri Facias herein be previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by Public Auction, at the Supreme Court, King-street, Sydney, all the Right, Title, and Interest (if any) of HUGO GRABOW, the Defendant herein, under and by virtue of a Contract for Purchase, dated the 17th August, 1915, made by M. and W. J. GODLEY (Vendors), and HUGO GRABOW (Purchaser), of, to, and to all pieces of Land situate at South Ryde, in the Parish of Hunter's Hill, and County of Cumberland, containing 4 acres 1 rood, 2 perches, being Lot

LAW REPORT.

HIGH COURT.

(Before the Chief Justice, Sir Samuel Griffith, Mr. Justice Barton, Mr. Justice Isaacs, Mr. Justice Duffy, and Mr. Justice Rich.)

GAS COMPANY'S APPEAL.

The question as to whether gas made and sold by the Australian Gaslight Company can be brought within the powers of the Necessary Commodities Control Commission, by virtue of the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914, and can be declared a necessary commodity, was before the Court yesterday on an appeal brought by Robert John Lukey, on behalf of the Australian Gaslight Company, against a ruling of the Chief Judge in Equity, who had held that gas was a necessary commodity. The respondents were the members of the Necessary Commodities Control Commission and the State Attorney-General.

Mr. Knox, K.C., Mr. Blacket, K.C., and Mr. Maughan, instructed by Messrs. Allen, Allen, and Hemsley, appeared on behalf of the appellant, and Mr. Lecerrier, K.C., Mr. Beeby, and Mr. Marker, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, for the respondents.

Mr. Knox submitting that the whole point of the appeal was whether gas made and sold by the company was or could be brought within the powers of the Necessary Commodities Control Act. He claimed that, notwithstanding the Necessary Commodities Control Act, sections 15 to 20 of the Gas Act of 1912 were in full force, and that the gas supplied by the company was not, and could not be made, a necessary commodity. The Gas Act provided that the lower dividend must cover the period of the higher price, and therefore the company could not get any benefit from the higher price. The Act also provided that if the cost of production went up owing to higher wages having to be paid, the company had the right to have the rate raised.

Mr. Justice Isaacs: Suppose the Necessary Commodities Control Commission checked the price of coal to you, and you got the benefit of that, are you still not to come under it?

Mr. Knox: Suppose they did; then it automatically rises. Parliament said that if you sell gas at 3s 6d, it is a fair thing that you should have a 10 per cent. dividend; if at 3s 2d, 11 per cent.; and if at 2s 10d, 12 per cent. If, on the other hand, your method of production is not properly efficient, and owing to that inefficiency the cost of gas goes up to 2s 10d, you are only allowed to have a dividend of 9 per cent. The Act is designed to prevent any overcharge to the public, and no body but Parliament could touch that 3s 6d to decrease it. If the commission had the power to fix the price of gas, the whole of the words contained in section 15 to 20 became idle words. The Act provided for a voluntary fixing of the price of gas by the company within the provisions of that Act.

Mr. Justice Duffy said he could not see that all the sections could not technically take advantage of, and the standard of price raised.

Mr. Justice Isaacs: As far as I can see, when you have a standard price the Act provides you may charge that price. If the cost of production is increased by the Arbitration Court, you can sell at an increased price, and then, it having been increased in that way, it may be brought back to 2s 6d. but the right you have of increase is only in case of an increase in the cost of production by increased wages. If in any other way, you have not that right.

Mr. Knox: If the commission says you may not charge more than 3s, what is the use of having your standard raised to, say, 4s? The two Acts cannot stand together.

Mr. Blacket submitted that what Parliament decided was a fair price before the war broke out could not be considered an unfair or unreasonable price during war time.

The Chief Justice: Is there any power to increase the price beyond 3s 6d?

Mr. Knox: There is no expressed power in the Act.

Mr. Justice Isaacs: Can they charge the consumers anything above the standard price?

The Chief Justice: Yes, but the higher the charge to the consumer, the lower must be the dividend paid.

Mr. Blacket: It puts a limit on the profits. Whether it is a good and efficient scheme or not it is the scheme Parliament provided, and I submit that there is in the Necessary Commodities Control Act no express reference to affect the earlier Act.

Mr. Lecerrier said it was immaterial really whether the provisions of section 15 to 20 of the Gas Act could stand together with the provisions of the Necessary Commodities Control Act, or whether they could not stand together, as it was said that the provisions of the 1914 Act abrogated the Gas Act, but a principle had been applied which had no application in the present case.

Argument had not concluded when the court rose.

APPEAL UPHELD.

The Court unanimously upheld the appeal of Ernest Edgar Broadbent and Henry Parkes against a decision of the Commonwealth Commissioner of Patents in respect of an application made by them for a patent for an invention in connection with inferential water meters. Mr. Lecerrier, K.C., and Mr. Jordan, instructed by Mr. Arthur Muddle, appeared for the appellants; and Mr. J. A. Brown, instructed by Mr. H. Davis, for the respondent. Edmund Naunton Davies, who had opposed the granting of the patent rights.

NO. 2 JURY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Ferguson and juries of four.)

ALLEGED BREACH OF PROMISE.

Lane v. Wright.

Mr. Watt, instructed by Messrs. McLachlan and Murray, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Mack, instructed by Messrs. Garden and Gillcrest, of Cowra (by their agents, Messrs. Russell and Russell), for the defendant. In this case the plaintiff, Olive Marjorie Lane, sued James Robertson Wright to recover £1000 damages for alleged breach of promise of marriage.

The defendant, in his pleas, denied the alleged promise, said that plaintiff was not always ready and willing to marry him, and that before any breach of the alleged agreement it was agreed that it should be rescinded, and it was rescinded accordingly.

The jury returned a verdict for plaintiff, with damages £250. An application on behalf of defendant for a stay of proceedings was granted, on condition that defendant gave security for £375, within eight days.

ACTION ON PROMISSORY NOTES.

Mathieson v. Menkens.

Mr. Watt, instructed by Messrs. Monro King, Dowel, and Barry, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Abrahams, instructed by Mr. Maurice E. Prior, for the defendant. This was an action brought by Peter Mathieson to recover from Heinrich Georg Menkens the sum of two promissory notes for £62 10s each, with interest added to the date of the writ, making a total of £134 2s 6d. The plaintiff also claimed interest on £125 from date of writ to judgment. It appeared that the notes referred to were given to one Braegirdle in connection with some land transactions, and were endorsed by him to plaintiff. The defendant pleaded that subsequent to the notes being given it was agreed that in consideration of one Johnson being allowed to cancel a contract for the purchase of certain land and forfeit his deposit the plaintiff would not enforce payment of the notes.

The case stands part heard.

NO. 3 JURY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Sly and a jury of four.)

ACCIDENT IN A MINE.

M'Gregor v. Bendoc Welcome Stranger G.M. Company (No. Liability).

Mr. Boyce, instructed by Messrs. Iceton, Faithful, and Maddock, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Shand, K.C., and Mr. Pitt, instructed by Messrs. M'Lachlan and Murray, for the defendants. This was an action brought by Thomas M'Gregor, engine-driver, against the Bendoc Welcome Stranger Gold-mining Company (no liability) to recover compensation for injuries sustained by plaintiff owing, as he contended, to the negligence of the defendants on their servants in regard to certain pumping appliances used in the mine. The case for plaintiff has already been stated. Damages were laid at £650. Defendants pleaded that they had not been guilty of negligence, either at common law or under the Employers' Liability Act. It was also contended on behalf of the defendants that, as the cause of action arose in Victoria, the Employers' Liability Act of this State did not apply. This contention was upheld by his Honor, and therefore the case went to the jury solely on the question whether the defendants were liable at common law and whether there was contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiff.

The jury returned a verdict for defendants.

EJECTMENT ACTION.

Frederick Ash, Ltd., v. Flanagan and another.

Mr. Norman Pitcher, instructed by Messrs. Ash and Madigan, appeared for the plaintiffs. There was no appearance for the defendants. This was an action of ejectment, brought by Frederick Ash, Ltd., against Ellen Laverty Flanagan and Christopher Bracken, both of Crane, near Ballina, to recover possession of land, being allotment 4 of section 16, in the town of West Ballina.

Verdict for plaintiff.

TROUBLE OVER A PIANO

Black v. Elvy.

Mr. Milner Stephen, instructed by Messrs. Creagh and Creagh, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. McKean, instructed by Mr. H. J. Aspinall, for the defendant. This was an action brought by Mrs. Eva A. Mack against Robert Hammond Elvy, trading as Elvy and Company, to recover £85, being the value of a piano purchased from the defendant. Her case was that she purchased the instrument on a promise or guarantee that it was new and of recent manufacture, whereas it was not as represented. Defendant pleaded that the cause of action did not arise within six years before the suit was commenced, that no such promise as that alleged was given, and that as a fact the piano in question was new and of recent manufacture.

Mr. Stephen applied for leave to add a replication to defendant's plea of the Statute of Limitations to the effect that plaintiff was not aware of the misrepresentation with which she charged the defendant until 1914. Counsel said that the piano, which was a Collard and Collard, was purchased by plaintiff on the time payment system in 1901, and plaintiff had paid something like £70 in connection with it. For 10 or 11 years after the purchase a tuner in the service of the defendant attended to the instrument. In 1914, however, she engaged another tuner, and then discovered that the piano was not new and of recent manufacture at the time of sale. The application was allowed.

The case is part heard.

SUPREME COURT.

BANCO COURT.

(Before the Chief Justice and a jury of four.)

ACTION FOR LIBEL.

Callacher v. Tamworth Newspaper Company, Ltd.

Mr. Garland, K.C., and Mr. Carles, instructed by Mr. T. J. Purcell, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Rolfe, K.C., and Mr. Pitt, instructed by Messrs. Creagh and Creagh, for the defendants. This was an action brought by Austin Samuel Callacher against the Tamworth Newspaper Company, Ltd., to recover compensation for alleged libel. The plaintiff's case was that he was the plaintiff in an action against the Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways, and defendant company published in their newspaper, the "Tamworth Daily Observer," of July 2 of last year, the following:—"Action Against the Railway Commissioners.—Austrian (meaning the plaintiff) Claims £2000. Sydney, Wednesday.—In the Supreme Court to-day an Austrian, Samuel Callacher, a tea merchant, sought to recover £2000 compensation from the Railway Commissioners in respect of injuries received by him through the alleged negligence of defendants' servants," meaning thereby that the plaintiff was an alien enemy. He claimed £1000.

Defendants pleaded that the alleged libel was contained in a public newspaper called the "Tamworth Daily Observer," and was inserted in such newspaper without actual malice or gross negligence, and that before the commencement of this action the defendant company inserted in such newspaper a full apology for the libel. They also paid 40s into court by way of amends for the injury sustained by the plaintiff, and said that amount was sufficient to satisfy his claim. They, however, called no evidence.

The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff, with damages one farthing. Mr. Carles's application for a certificate of costs was refused.

ACTION BY GAS EMPLOYEES

Blackmore v. Gas Employees' Union and another.

Mr. Windeyer and Mr. Markell, instructed by Messrs. Cecil A. Coghlan and Co., appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Broomfield and Mr. Pickburn, instructed by Messrs. Vero Read and Bell, for the defendants. This was an action brought by William John Blackmore against the Gas Employees' Union and Samuel Rawlin (secretary), upon a declaration in which plaintiff complained that defendants maliciously, and without reasonable or lawful cause or excuse, conspired together and with divers other persons to compel the plaintiff to join the Gas Employees' Union, and, in default, to have him dismissed from his employment, and in furtherance of the said conspiracy, maliciously, and without lawful cause or excuse, on the plaintiff refusing to join the said union, induced and compelled the Australian Gaslight Company (the plaintiff's employers) to dismiss him from their employment, whereby he lost the wages and profits he was earning, and would have earned, in such employment, and was prevented from carrying on his trade as an engineer, and was for a long time unemployed. In a second count, plaintiff charged that the defendants induced the Australian Gaslight Company to break an agreement with him as shift engineer, and in a third count plaintiff alleged that the defendants maliciously and wrongfully coerced and intimidated the Australian Gaslight Company into breaking the contract referred to.

Damages were laid at £500.

Mr. Windeyer, in opening the plaintiff's case to the jury, said that in the present aspect of economic life in this community, the jury would regard this case as one of extreme importance, involving the question whether the defendant union was empowered to disregard the rights of individual citizens. Plaintiff was employed by the Australian Gaslight Company with several other engineers to take charge of certain modern machinery in connection with the production of gas, and more particularly lighting. The defendants subsequently requested him to join their union, but he refused on the ground that he was already a member of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, and the Institute of Marine Engineers. Thereupon the defendants brought pressure to bear upon the Australian Gaslight Company, and threatened a strike if plaintiff was not discharged. That threat under our law was illegal, but the result was that plaintiff lost his position. As far as he knew, no law existed in this or any other country which permitted any union to do what was complained of in this case, namely, to compel the employers of a man who preferred to remain in a union to which he already belonged to discharge him from their employment. Having been discharged in the circumstances stated, plaintiff now brought his action. Counsel also mentioned that, although plaintiff was now in employment, he was out of work up to the time of the issue of the writ. Previously he had been receiving £4 18s per week.

There were similar actions by Alfred Edward Field Catford Frederick Windred Clark, and Roy Lewis Ditcham against the same defendants, but it was decided that they should be taken separately.

The case is part heard.

DIVORCE COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Gordon.)

CONN v. CONN.

Mr. Pilcher, instructed by Messrs. Kelly and Waterford, of Wellington (by their agents, Messrs. Collins and Mulholland), appeared for William Harold Conn; the respondent, Gladys Conn (formerly Brew), did not appear. This was a suit brought by the petitioner for the restitution of conjugal rights. The parties were married at the Methodist Church, Ashfield, on February 29, 1908. A decree was granted on terms of the prayer of the petitioner.

BEANEY v. BEANEY.

Mr. Coyle, instructed by Mr. R. W. Lenehan, appeared for the petitioner, Ida Kate Beaney (formerly Cunliffe), and Mr. Thornton appeared for the respondent, Phillip Buckley Beaney, otherwise known as Philip Block Beaney, on the question of access to the children. This was a suit for divorce on the ground of misconduct. The marriage took place at Windsor, Victoria, on September 5, 1896, according to the rites of the Church of Christ. A decree nisi was granted, returnable in six months.

SHERMAN v. SHERMAN.

Mr. Pilcher, instructed by Mr. Arnott, appeared for the petitioner, Wilena Sherman (formerly Dickson), who sought a divorce from her husband, Thomas Sherman, on the ground of cruelty. The marriage was celebrated at All Saints' Church of England Cathedral, Bathurst, on February 5, 1900. After evidence was taken, the case stood over generally.

WYATT v. WYATT.

Mr. David Feats appeared for the petitioner, Clara Wyatt (formerly Toop), who sought a divorce from her husband, John Wyatt, on the ground of desertion. The marriage took place at Zealand, Waterloo, on August 16, 1910, according to the rites of the Congregational Church. Decree nisi granted, returnable in six months.

IN EQUITY.

(Before the Chief Judge, Mr. Justice Simpson.)

MINING LEASE.

Silver Peak Mines, Ltd., v. Williams.

The hearing of this suit was continued. The case stands part heard.

(Before Mr. Justice Harvey.)

A COUNTRY HOTEL.

M'Carron v. M'Loughlin.

The parties to this suit are William M'Carron, plaintiff, and Margaret M'Loughlin, defendant. Mr. Jordan, instructed by Mr. M. J. Dudy, of Cobar (by his agents, Messrs. Perkins, Stevenson, and Co.), appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Weigall, instructed by Mr. G. A. Bolton, of Cobar (by his agent, Mr. F. W. Walker), for the defendant.

The suit is for specific performance of an agreement of a lease alleged to have been given by the defendant of an hotel at Canbelego. The original hotel was burnt down in February, 1915. Since then a new building has been erected, of which the plaintiff went into possession in February last. On March 14 last the defendant got an ex parte order from the Court for delivery of possession of the new building to the defendant.

The plaintiff now asked: That an order be made dissolving and dispensing with compliance with the ex parte order; or that such other order be made as the Court may deem fit.

His Honor, in delivering judgment, ordered the plaintiff to pay into Court the sum of £400 within 10 days. The plaintiff is also to pay to the defendant the sum of £17 8s 8d per week by way of rent or occupation rent, since the expiry of the old lease, until the hearing of the suit. The costs of this rental are to be paid within ten days. His Honor also ordered the stay of the execution of the order of March 14 for 10 days, and if £400 is paid into Court as ordered, and the rent paid as ordered, then a stay of execution of the order of March 14 till the hearing of the suit. This order is made without prejudice to defendant's right to claim, on account of profits in lieu of occupation rent, at the hearing.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Registrar.)

MOTIONS TO DISCHARGE SEQUESTRATION ORDERS.

Re John Burton. Mr. Gale appeared for the applicant. Sequestration order discharged.

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MOTION FOR RELEASE.

Re Ebenezer Brown. Mr. Teece appeared for the applicant. Order was granted and compensation assessed at £22 10s.

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re Robert Thomas Armstrong. Adjourned to 3rd prox.

Re James McGrath and Richard Christopher McGrath, ex parte Richard Christopher McGrath. Mr. Morgan O'Neill appeared for Richard Christopher McGrath, whose certificate was suspended for 12 months.

Re Gerald Fitzgerald. Mr. Mason appeared for the applicant. Adjourned to 12th inst.

Re Moses King. Adjourned to this day.

Re David Cohen. Mr. Hodgson appeared for the bankrupt. Order of release to operate as a discharge from the 5th inst.

Re John Roberts. Adjourned to 12th inst.

MOTION TO RESCIND AND TO VARY ORDERS.

Re John Gillespie. Bankrupt was cross-examined by Mr. Palmer, official assignee. Mr. Cargill appeared for the applicant. Application refused.

SINGLE MEETINGS AND PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS.

Re William Henry Griffiths. Bankrupt was examined by Mr. Palmer, official assignee. Adjourned to 12th inst.

Re Albert Goldie. Bankrupt was examined by Mr. Palmer, official assignee. Meeting closed, and public examination concluded.

Re Stanley Foster. Bankrupt was examined by Mr. Palmer, official assignee. Adjourned to 19th inst.

Re H. H. Marens. Bankrupt did not attend. Adjourned sine die.

Re Charles John Braine. Adjourned to this day.

EXAMINATION UNDER SECTION 30.

Re Thomas Sheriff. Mr. F. Moore appeared for the bankrupt. Adjourned to this day.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATION.

Samuel William Teong, of Portland, coal miner. Mr. C. F. W. Lloyd, official assignee.

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Edmunds.)

INCREASED COST OF LIVING.

His Honor delivered judgment in the appeal by the Shipwrights' Provident Society of New South Wales against the award of the Iron and Shipbuilding Trades Group, No. 7 Board. He said that the claim for an increase in wages above 9s 2½d per hour on new work, and 8s 8d for old work, was based on the increased cost of living. It had been contended that the increase in the cost of living from November, 1911, to October, 1915, should be calculated on Knibbs's tables, showing the purchasing power of the sovereign as directed in the Court of Arbitration Act. There was an increase in the cost of living, calculated on the purchasing power of the sovereign in 1911 at 20s 2d, and in the second quarter of 1915 at 28s 1d, was used as a basis for a claim of 12s 3d increase in the weekly wage. The employers contended that the increase in the living wage should be computed on the basis of 8s 3d per day, as the living wage declared by the Court on December 17, 1915, and that such increase only should be added to the rates fixed by the agreement of November, 1911. This contention was in accordance with the judgments of the Court, as set out in the Tramways No. 5 appeal, and Iron and Shipbuilding No. 1 appeal on March 15 and 16 last, respectively. The decision of the Court that 8s 3d should be taken as a minimum wage for new work, and 7s 8d for old work, was based on the purchasing power of the sovereign in 1911 at 20s 2d, and in the second quarter of 1915 at 20s 1d, and not on the increase in the cost of living. The increase in the living wage from November, 1911, to October, 1915, or the present date, was 1s 2d per day, and the increase in the hourly rate should, therefore, he thought, be put at 2d per hour, making the rates 1/8 and 1/9, respectively. He amended the award accordingly. It was questionable whether the claim for extra payment for working in confined spaces on freight work at Sydney was consistent with the public interest in time of war. Apart from this consideration it was not, he thought, fairly tenable, the rates under the agreement of 1911 being for all kinds, without distinction, hard as well as easy. He, therefore, dismissed this part of the appeal.

FARRIERS' UNION APPEAL DISMISSED.

His Honor dismissed an appeal lodged by the Journeymen Farriers' Union against an award of the Iron and Ship-building Trades Group, No. 10 Board. He said that the actual increase given by the award was 1s per day. On the other hand the Court had considered, in former judgments, to be the increase of wages, necessitated by the increased cost of living, upon the assessment of 8s 9d per day, as the living wage at the present time. The increase on that computation would only be 9d per day as against the increase of 1s allowed by the award. He therefore dismissed the appeal of the union against the rates awarded by the award.

BOARDING-HOUSE EMPLOYEES.

The Hotel, Club, and Caterers Employees' Union, on January 21, 1915, applied to the Domestic Group, No. 2 Board, for an award governing the wages and conditions of employment of its members working in boarding-houses in the metropolitan area. The board decided to make no award at the present time, having entered on the preliminary question whether under the present war conditions, it was in the public interest to do so. His Honor said the decision was open to review on appeal by the union, but the ordinary course of appeal was not adopted, the present application being made in its stead. In his opinion, the power of the Court was not to be exercised in any case where justice could be done by appeal in the ordinary form. The application would, therefore, be dismissed.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before Judge Murray.)

MOSES v. MARTIN.

The hearing of this case was concluded. His Honor reserved his judgment.

LAWRENCE v. WILLIAMS.

Richard Benjamin Lawrence, lately of Casula and a private in the C Company of the 18th Battalion Infantry, sued James Leslie Williams, nominal defendant for the Crown, for £200 damages for negligence in connection with a motor accident. The plaintiff's evidence, which, owing to his departure for the front was taken de bene esse last March, stated that he, with others, was being driven in a motor from the Mountains to Sydney. When ascending Taverner's Hill, Petersham, the car ran into a heap of asphalt, with the result that plaintiff was thrown out and sustained injuries which kept him in hospital for 16 days. There was no light to indicate the heap. The defence was not guilty. The case was to have been heard before a jury, but, by consent, the jury was dispensed with, and a verdict entered for the plaintiff for £125. Mr. J. A. Ferguson, instructed by Messrs. Weaver and Allworth, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Pickburn, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, for the nominal defendant.

HOY v. HARDING.

Winifred Alice Hoy, of Longueville-road, Northwood, proceeded against G. H. Harding, of Miller-street, North Sydney, dentist. The grounds were that the latter, being a registered dentist, was employed by plaintiff to perform certain dental work. It was alleged that he performed this work so carelessly, unskilfully, and negligently that the work was useless, and the plaintiff thereby sustained loss and expense. £50 was claimed on this count. A further claim was made for £28 for goods sold and delivered and for money paid for defendant. The defendant paid £10 into court in satisfaction, but denied liability. Mr. Hardwick, instructed by Mr. W. Arnott, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. W. C. Moseley for the defendant. The case for the plaintiff was closed, and the hearing was adjourned till to-day.

(Before Judge Docker.)

FLEMING v. BURKE.

Patrick Fleming, of Meek-road, South Randwick, tailor, sued Andrew Burke, of George-street, Sydney, as executor of the will of Ellen Fleming, deceased, for £22 14s 6d, alleged to be the value of certain pictures, statues, chairs, etc. The plaintiff's case stated that Ellen Fleming, within six months before her death, converted the goods in question to her own use, and did not deliver them to the plaintiff. The defence was a denial of responsibility, and that plaintiff took possession of some of the goods, and that the plaintiff had no knowledge of the whereabouts of the others. A verdict was returned for the amount claimed, but the amount was to be reduced to £1 if the goods were returned within 10 days. Mr. Collins, instructed by Mr. J. B. Fawkes, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Power, instructed by Mr. W. B. Dean, for the defendant.

DONOHUE v. OSWALD.

Leo Donohue, of Campbell-street, Glebe, sued Louis Francis Gilles Oswald, of Kent-street, Sydney, for alleged slander. Plaintiff claimed that he and three others last January visited defendant's home. A case of brandy was said to be missing, and it was alleged that the defendant stated that one of the four men present had taken it. Defendant denied this statement, and said that anything he had said on the occasion could not have harmed the plaintiff. The plaintiff was non-suited. Messrs. J. B. Moffatt and Penny appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Mack, instructed by Messrs. Creagh and Creagh, for the defendant.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Scholes and Jury.)

Mr. Herbert Harris, Crown Prosecutor.

BOUND OVER.

Harold Jones, 28, who was charged with stealing 5lb of meat, the property of Abel and Co., Ltd., at Newtown on February 4, was bound over to come up for trial if called upon. Jones was before the Quarter Session, on the same charge last month, when the jury disagreed.

ALLEGED ASSAULT.

James Leonard, 26, pleaded not guilty to assaulting Thomas Slattery, at Redfern on November 11, with intent to rob him. Mr. W. D. McMahon appeared for the defence. Leonard's defence was a denial of the charge.

The jury acquitted Leonard, and he was discharged.

APPEALS.

(Before Judge Backhouse.)

Mr. A. F. Dawson, Crown Prosecutor.

CONVICTION SET ASIDE.

William George Pitt appealed against a conviction of six months' imprisonment ordered on a charge of attempting to steal from the person. His Honor upheld the appeal, and set aside the conviction on the grounds that two material witnesses for the prosecution were now on active service.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

Catherine E. Scott appealed against a sentence of three months for vagrancy. The appeal was dismissed, and she accused ordered to be returned to custody.

LAND APPEAL COURT.

(Before Mr. H. A. G. Curry, President, and Mr. W. Houston and Mr. C. E. Rennie, Commissioners.)

The appeal by Martin Keating against the decisions of local land board in respect of applications by Henry Emmott Simpson executor of estate of late W. H. Simpson, for permission to enclose certain roads, parish of Moruya, county of Dampier, and to erect rabbit-proof fencing across same, was dismissed. The respondents were allowed £5 costs, for which the deposit lodged with the notice of appeal was ordered to be made available.

Judgment was given in the appeal by the New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Limited, against the recommendation of the local land board for refusal of their special lease application, No. 1915/8, Cooma. The case was remitted to the land board for further investigation. The deposit lodged with the notice of appeal was ordered to be refunded.

LAW NOTICES.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

At Darlinghurst Court House.—At 10.30 a.m.—Motions; Appeals: Lukey v. Edmunds and others (part heard); Rogers v. Rogers; Commonwealth of Australia v. Brisbane Milling Co., Ltd.

SUPREME COURT.

Cause Lists.—Banco Court, St. James's-road: Blackmore v. The Gas Employees' Union and another (part heard). Notice to jurors:—The jurors engaged in the above part-heard case are required to attend at 10 a.m. The jurors summoned to attend Banco Court to-day will not be required to attend until to-morrow (Friday), at an hour to be notified in the morning papers.

No. 1 Causes in No. 3 Court, King-street: Mack v. Elvy (part heard). Notice to jurors:—The jurors engaged in the above part-heard case are required to attend at 10 a.m. The jurors summoned to attend at No. 1 Causes to-day will not be required to attend until to-morrow (Friday), at an hour to be notified in the morning papers.

No. 2 Jury Court, King-street.—At 10 a.m.: Mathieson v. Menkens (part heard). At 11 a.m.: Sydney Taxi Cab and Motor Import Co., Ltd., v. Thompson and another. Notice to jurors:—The jurors engaged in the above part-heard case are required to attend at 10 a.m. The jurors summoned to attend No. 2 Causes to-day need not attend until 11 a.m.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Deputy Prothonotary: Allen v. Allen, 10.15 a.m.; Thurlow v. Thurlow, 10.15 a.m.; Louis v. Noakes, 11 a.m.

In Divorce.—Before the Judge in Divorce, in No. 4 Jury Court.—At 10 a.m.: For Judgment: Bancroft v. Bancroft. Cause List: Lusk (falsely called Wilkins) v. Wilkins (part heard); Hauber v. Hauber; Miles v. Miles, Pilgrim v. Pilgrim.

In Equity.—Before His Honor the Chief Judge in Equity, Equity Court No. 1, Chancery Square.—At 10 a.m.: Silver Peak Mines, Ltd., v. Williams (part heard). Before the Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Hassell v. Brook (to tax two bills of costs).

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Registrar: W. Shirley (to approve of lease), 2.15. Before the First Clerk.—The following sessions will be taken.—At 10.20: James R. Love; 11.45: G. T. Fleming; 12: D. S. Grant; 12.15: A. I. Houghton; 12.30: H. F. O. Schrader.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar.—At 10 a.m.: Certificate Applications: William Francis Fielding, Delph Singh (oliometers filed (2), 13, 12, 15), Moses King, Samuel William Rudder. Sessions Meeting and Public Examination: Charles John Braine. Public Examination: Harold Lionel Sewell. Examinations under section 20: Daniel Irwin, Thomas Sheriff.

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honour Judge Murray, in No. 1 Court.—At 10 a.m.: Hoy v. Harding (part heard); Hughes v. Mitchell, Linton v. Knox, Lund v. Richmond, The Continental C. and G. Rubber Company Proprietary, Limited v. Harden and anor.

Before his Honor Judge Docker, in No. 2 Court.—At 10 a.m.: MacDonald and anor. v. Dunstan, Robison v. Cains, Fowler v. Sidney and ors., Ford and anor. v. Peters American Delicacy Company, Limited. Note.—The lists will be called over punctually at 10 a.m. Before the Registrar.—At 10.30 a.m.: Jackson v. Ivers.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION COURT.

Industrial Court-house, Queen's-square. Before Mr. Justice Heydon.—At 10 a.m.: For hearing: Re Coal Mining North Group No. 2 Board, appeal for Colliery Mechanics' Mutual Protective Association (part heard).

Before Mr. Justice Edmunds.—At 2 p.m.: For hearing: Re Transport Group, No. 3 (Wholesale Grocers) Board, appeal by Wholesale Grocers' Industrial Association.

CHIEF INDUSTRIAL MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Phillip-street.—Before the Chief Industrial Magistrate.—At 10 a.m.: For hearing: Re Coal Mining North Group No. 2 Board, appeal for Colliery Mechanics' Mutual Protective Association (part heard).

NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL COMMISSION.

At 10 a.m.: Application for increase in the price of butter. At 11 a.m.: Consideration of the prices of the manufactured products of oats, wheat, and corn.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

Francis Perrelli, stealing from the person; John Quinn, embezzlement; Lillian May French and James Francis, larceny in a dwelling; William Albert Patterson and May Patterson, burglary; William Thomas Harvey and James Joseph Hynes, breaking and entering, and stealing, and receiving. Note.—The following appeals against magistrates' orders and convictions will be heard in the Court-room, Queen's-square (adjacent to the office of the Clerk of the Peace):—Pauline Robinson, vagrancy (part heard); Frederick Williams, offensive language and assault; Alice Manning and Lizzie Earle, vagrancy; William Adams, on behalf of Wendell, attempting to steal from the person; Luther James Crossingham, Infant Protection Act.

The sitting of the Supreme Court, Hay, fixed for the 12th instant, is to be cancelled.

CIRCUIT BUSINESS.

The following arrangements have been made for the disposal of circuit business. The Chief Justice will preside at Grafton, commencing on the 28th instant; Mr. Justice Street, Dubbo, April 12; Mr. Justice Sly, Wagga Wagga (April 17), and Goulburn; and Mr. Justice Ferguson, Armidale, April 12, Narrabri, and Maitland. Only one jury court will be sitting after this week, and will be in charge of the Chief Justice, who will continue on until the 20th instant.

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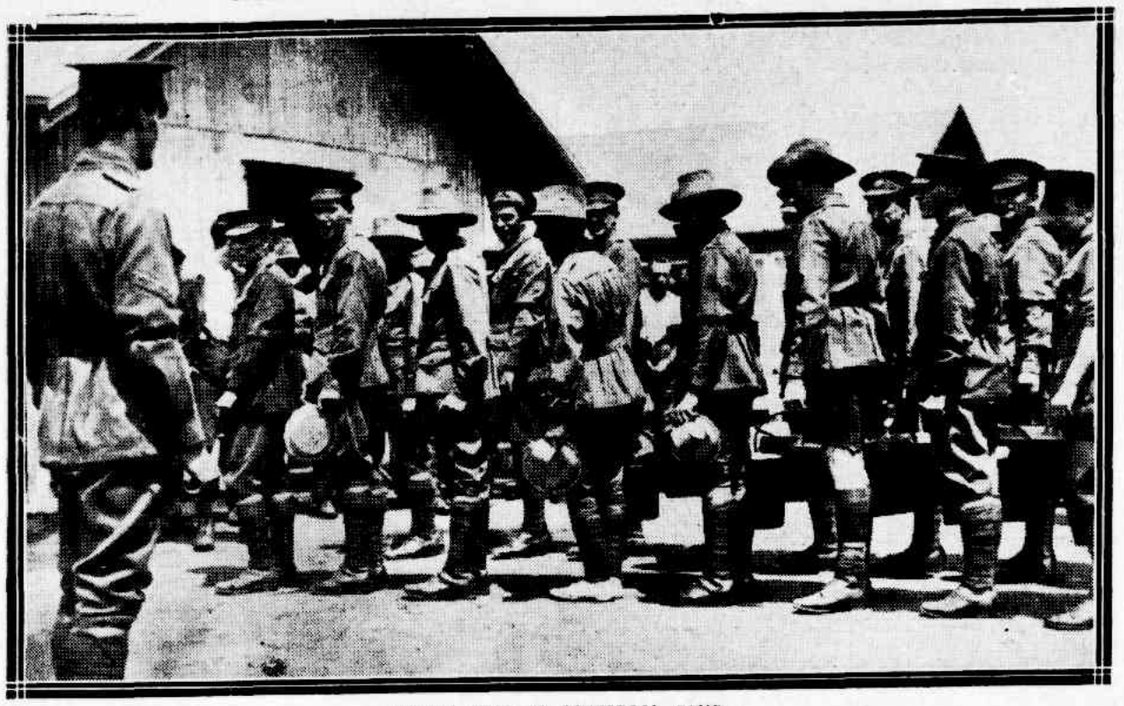


DINNER TIME AT LIVERPOOL CAMP.

THE HELP OF A SOLDIER'S WIDOW.

THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT IS EMPLOYING WIDOWS OF FALLEN HEROES IN MUNITION WORK.

SAMOA.

GERMAN COMPANY WOUND UP

OPERATIONS TO CEASE.

The Deutsche Handels und Plantagen Gesellschaft—more commonly known as the D. H. and P. G. Company—which is by far the largest German trading concern in the South Pacific, is being wound up by the New Zealand Government, acting under instructions from the Imperial authorities. Mr. Massey, Prime Minister of the Dominion, announced in Auckland last week that the liquidation would involve all the company's existing stocks and the collection of its book debts, but would not include the sale of its lands, buildings, or trade marks.

The company has its headquarters at Hamburg, and its capital is about £1,250,000. It has been heavily subsidised by the German Government, and it is believed that the German Emperor himself is a shareholder. The general manager operated from Samoa, but the company, through its sub-managers, controlled very large interests in all the Samoan, Tongan, and adjacent islands. Besides carrying on a large importing business, it owned extensive and largely profitable plantations in most of these islands, where it produced copra, cocoa, and rubber.

The company's trading business was enormous. It had a particularly fine store at Apia, and its establishments in the Tongan islands were in active competition with British houses. The D. H. and P. G. was a keen rival of Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co. in Nukualofa. It is probable that every Sydney firm in communication with the Islands also had business transactions with this German organisation.

When the New Zealand forces occupied Samoa the German company was allowed to continue operations, though under supervision, but there was no check on the business of the company in Tonga, which is only a British protectorate. Some time later a British cruiser in the North Atlantic, examining mails from America, discovered evidence that the general manager of the German company in Samoa, one Lansen, was smuggling letters away to Germany. Hansen and others associated with him were promptly arrested and sent off to New Zealand for internment. The company's business was then carried on by receivers appointed by the New Zealand Government. The fact that a German company was still allowed to compete with British traders in the South Pacific caused much irritation, however, and, apparently, this has led to the announcement that liquidators are to be appointed immediately in both Samoa and Tonga. The Tongan Government, which has all along shown friendship towards British interests, has decided to co-operate with Britain in this matter.

The opinion has been expressed that the disappearance of this large German company from the Islands trade will give British commercial houses in both Sydney and Auckland an important opportunity of extending their business.

The Administrator of Samoa, Colonel Logan, has announced that all shipments to enemy firms and persons in Samoa have been prohibited. This is expected to affect, to some extent, the shipment of goods by the regular steamers from Sydney to Samoa.

NEW ARBITRATION.

STATUS OF JUDGES.

Although the Minister for Labour and Industry intimated to the Legislative Assembly earlier in the week that it is the intention of the Government to vest the work of the new arbitration in four Judges, making two more appointments necessary, the amending bill does not put any limit on the number that may be appointed.

It appears from the measure itself that any number of additional Judges may be appointed if the volume of cases demands it at any time.

The bill also provides for pensions for Judges, and gives them the status of members of the Supreme Court Bench.

FARMERS AND POLITICS.

TAMWORTH, Wednesday.

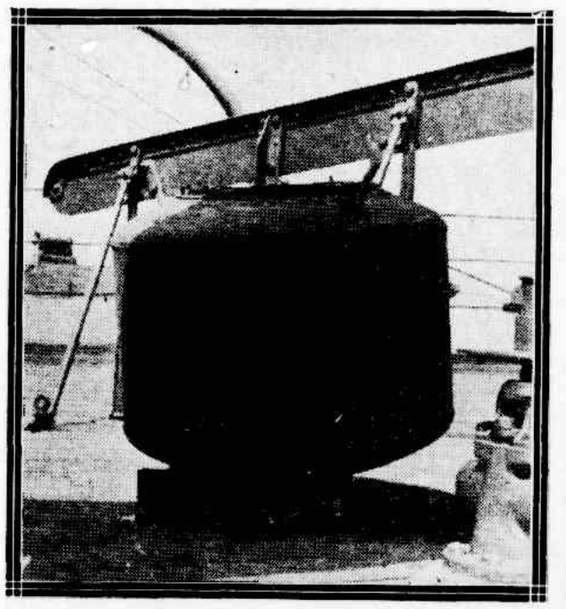
At the annual meeting of the Tamworth District Council of the Farmers and Settlers' Association yesterday, Mr. W. Peek (president) said that it would be as well to discuss the political situation. They all knew something about Mr. Beeby, leader of the Progressive party, who was at one time a strong Labour supporter, but as he could not see that the Labour party was doing right he came out for conscience' sake. At that time Mr. Beeby was a Minister of the Crown, and there were not many men who would throw up £1000 a year for the sake of principle.

Mr. Thomas thought Mr. Beeby, as leader of the Progressive party, was the right man in the right place.

Mr. W. G. Chaffey moved, and Mr. Potter seconded, "That this meeting approves of the compact made between the Progressives and Liberals in respect to the next election." The motion was carried.

The report submitted at the meeting stated that, "Following on the decision arrived at during the last conference, as a result of a motion from this council, the political position of the F. and S. Association to-day is that, under the leadership of Mr. G. S. Beeby and the name of the Progressive party, a compact has been completed, whereby all forces opposed to socialism have agreed to work on a definite understanding in regard to the various seats. The Progressives have achieved their definite purpose, and succeeded in maintaining their distinct identity in politics, and at the same time have avoided the responsibility of causing a split in votes. This appears to be the most satisfactory arrangement yet arrived at, and if the compact with the Liberals is honourably observed by both sides, a substantial number of seats should be won in the country electorates. At the present moment some of our Federal and State members are at the front, and we should be proud of men who voluntarily made this enormous sacrifice."

AN ENEMY MINE.



PICKED UP IN THE GULF OF AKABA.

ABORIGINES BOARD.

The Aborigines Board, as lately reconstructed, has now been constituted by the appointment of the following:—Mr. James Mitchell (Inspector-General of Police, chairman), Mr. E. Harkness (Under-Secretary, Departments of Colonial Secretary and of Public Health), Dr. R. T. Paton (Director-General of Public Health), Mr. J. Dawson (Chief Inspector of Schools, Department of Education), Mr. Hugh Ross (Chief Inspector, Department of Agriculture), Mr. W. Millard, M.L.A., Mr. R. Seeble,

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LIGHT Pony Van, Order Cart, Village Cart, cheap. 433 Bourke-st, near Foveaux-st, Surry Hills.

HOODED Pony Phaeton, 1 Square Van, Timber Dray, cheap. 433 Bourke-st, nr. Foveaux-st, S. Hills.

FOR SALE, good PONY, any trial. W. King, 319 Young-st, Annandale.

FOUR good Van Turnouts, in perm. work. Apply B. Hemann, 93 Bourke-st, Redfern.

TWENTY New Tipdrays, from £30, 20 Second-hand Drays, from £5, 583A George-st, opp. Horderns'.

HORSES, VEHICLES, LIVE STOCK.

FOR SALE, 2 4-horse Heavy Draught Teams, Lorries and Harness, Single and Double Tip Drays, also 4-wheel Tip Drays, Harness, etc., Horses, Good workers, from 4 to 6 years old; also one Handsome Grey Stallion, 17 hands, prize-taker, good pedigree, splendid worker, and docile, boy can drive him.
ROBERT SAUNDERS and SON,
Tel., City 4236. Miller-street, Pyrmont.

CASH OR TERMS.—30 Horses, Ponies, and Mares, heavy and light, from £4; 100 Vehicles, from £5, Tipcart, £12; Dealer's Van Turnout, £10; Sulky Turnout, £11; Village Turnout, £9. Square Van Turnout, £14; Farm Dray Turnout, £14; Butter Cart Turnout, £9; Spring Cart Turnout, £9, 20 sets of Harness, from £1. 98 Myrtle-street, city, off City-road.

PICK Seven PONIES, 4 years, quiet, sound, and reliable, fr. £5. 583A George-st, opp. Horderns'.

COVERED-IN Waggon, strong, good Horse, 4 yrs., reliable, £10, trial. 583A George-st, opp. Horderns'.

NEW Single LORRY, perfect condition, pole, shafts, £20. 583A George-st, opp. Horderns'.

YOUNG Pony, good Phaeton, new Harness, gd. lot, £14, wk.'s trial. 44 Kensington-st, off Geo.-st W.

YOUNG PONY, Van, and Harness, suit dealer, lot £8. 44 Kensington-st, off George-st West.

PONY, Sulky, and Harness, lot £9; also Tipcart and Turnout, lot £14. 44 Kensington-st, off Geo.-st W.

TWENTY New Sulkies, with spring cushions, from £10. 583A George-st, opposite Horderns'.

TWO Tipcart Turnouts, in constant work, for Sale. Apply 4 Burton-st, Milson's Point.

FOR Sale, Bay Gelding, 15.1 hands, fast, stylish, suit baker, milkman, trial. 60 Park-rd, St. Peters.

FOR Sale, Pony, 14 hands, suit grocer or traveller, cheap. 220 Unwin's Bridge-road, St. Peters.

FOR Sale, Tipcart, nearly new, and Harness. Suit deviation work. 741 Illawarra-rd, Marrickville.

STYLISH Pony, with nearly new Sulky and Harness, £5, week's trial. 583A George-st, opp. Horderns'.

TEN Mares, 5 to 8 years old, sound and thorough workers; sell cheap. 583A George-st, opp. Horderns'.

RUBBER-TYRED Pony Sulkies, Single Lorries, Isaacs, 112 Redfern-st, Redfern.

SALE, 2 4 Guard-iron Vans and Pony Van, cheap. Pocock, 144 Walker-st, Redfern.

DOUBLE-SEATED BUGGY, young Horse, Harness, £62, week's trial. Square, Compass, 706 Geo.-st.

HOODED Waggon Turnout, straight off the road, £23, cheap. Square, Compass, 706 Geo.-st, Hay.

RELIABLE HORSE, Square Van, Harness, £10 lot, week's trial. Square, Compass, 706 Geo.-st, Hay.

PICK of three Dealers' Van Turnouts, £16, £22, and £26. 706 George-st, Haymarket, below Horderns'.

NICE Phaeton, stylish Pony, new Harness, suit lady, £14; any trial. 706 George-st, Haymarket.

RELIABLE Pony, nice Sulky, and Harn., lot £16 week's trial. 706 George-st, Haymarket, bel. Herd.

PICK of 3 Light Order Carts, from £5. Square and Compass, 706 George-st, Haymarket.

FIVE New and Second-hand Tipdrays, from £7. Square and Compass, 706 George-st, Haymarket.

NEW Baker's Cart, £12; Second-hand Baker's Cart, £6. 583A George-st, opposite Horderns'.

DRAUGHT and Light Horses for Sale, from 3 years old. E. Brown, Bronte-rd, Bronte.

FOR SALE, good Horse, suit grocer or any tradesman, trial. A. Walter, Grocer, Elsw'ck-st, Leichdt.

FOR SALE, big Trotting Mare, suit baker's cart or cabman. 92 Buckland-st, Alexandria.

FOR SALE, Bay Gelding, 16 hds., suit van or cart, any trial, cheap. Dibbs-st, Alexandria.

SALE, strong 4-shaft Sulky, or exch. for lighter one. Lever, Wallace-st, Waverley. 'Phone, Waverley 702.

GREENGROCER'S Turnout, 1 size Cart, must do a week's trial. Apply first J. G., Waverley Post-office.

VAN, Harness, square rail, £12; also Sulky, Buggy, etc. Mayne's, 511 Crown-st, near Devonshire-st.

FOR SALE, Parachoolon Furniture Waggon, also Van Horse. 65 Erskineville-rd, Erskineville.

MUST Sell, best Rubber-tyre Turnout in Sydney, suit sport, any trial. Moss Vale, Australia-st, Camp'dn.

RELIABLE Horse, Dealer's Van, and Harness, cash or terms. Christen's, 240 King-st, Newtown.

TWO high-class reliable PONIES, day's trial, cash or terms. Christen's, 240 King-st, Newtown.

THREE Sociables, perfect order, hoods, brakes, etc., seat 6, 8, 10 pass., cheap. 72 King-st, Newtown.

QUIET, rel. PONY, 3-spring Sulky, Harness, any trial, suit a lady. 72 King-st, Newtown.

RELIABLE Van Horse, 7 years, ton trial, £8. Apply 13 Hawken-st, off Chas.-st, Newtown.

MUNICIPALITY OF WOOLLAHRA.
HIRE OF HORSE.
The Council of this Municipality is desirous of hiring a Saddle Horse two days a week for the use of the Ranger.
CHAS. A. VINCENT,
Town Clerk.
Council-chambers, Woollahra,
6th April, 1916.

WOULD the owner of a Sulky Turnout, who would be prepared to hire out same every Monday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., with or without driver, please communicate with Box 845, G.P.O.

WANTED, set second-hand Sulky Harness, breast plate, not collr. 14 hand Pony, good order. Pearson, 158 Pirt-street, Redfern.

WANTED Buy, Traveller's Turnout, with old-estab. firm. Price, full particr., W. R., P.O., Glebe.

WANTED, quiet, Mare, Horse, for butter cart. Particulars to 472 Miller-st, N. Sydney.

WANTED, Rubber-tyred Sulky Turnout, Price and particulars to J. McNaughton, Lewisham Post-office.

WANTED to Buy, second-hand Harness, no dealers. 1 Ross-st, Narrowne. 'Phone, L 2086.

EXCHANGE, Rent-shaft Sulky for Village Cart, brake preferred. 41 Edgecliff-rd, Woollahra.

DEAD Horses and Cows Bought, up to 10s head. Carcase sent anywhere. Cornell, Tel. 184 Mascot.

DEAD and Worn-out Horses and Cows Bought, highest prices given. Tumeth Bros. 'Phone, 171 Mascot.

MEETINGS.

MUNICIPALITY OF ANNANDALE.
"ANZAC DAY."
A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the Council Chambers, Annandale, on MONDAY, 10th APRIL, 1916, at 8 p.m., to decide upon the action to be taken in connection with "Anzac Day" movement.
All citizens of Annandale are invited to attend.
EDWARD HOGAN,
Mayor.
Council Chambers, Annandale,
5th April, 1916.

MUNICIPALITY OF ANNANDALE.
RECRUITING CAMPAIGN
A MONSTER PUBLIC MEETING will be held at the Corner of Johnston-street and Parramatta-road, Annandale, on FRIDAY NEXT, the 7th instant, at 8 p.m.
PROMINENT PUBLIC MEN WILL SPEAK.
EDWARD HOGAN,
Mayor and Chairman,
Annandale Recruiting Committee.
Council Chambers, Annandale,
5th April, 1916.

OXIDE CREEK, LIMITED.—In accordance with Notice already given at an Extraordinary General Meeting of Oxide Creek, Limited, will be held at the Company's Office, 19 Castlereagh-street, Sydney, on Thursday (to-day) the sixth day of April, 1916, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering as special the subjoined Extraordinary Resolutions passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting, held on the Thirteenth day of March, 1916:
1. That Oxide Creek, Limited, be wound up voluntarily.
2. That Robert Dunlop Hartwell be, and is hereby appointed liquidator at a remuneration to be fixed by the meeting.
By Order,
F. C. HARTWELL, Secretary.

MUNICIPALITY OF MARRICKVILLE.
"ANZAC DAY."
A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the Town Hall, Illawarra-road, Marrickville, on THURSDAY EVENING, the APRIL, 1916, at 8 o'clock:—To decide what steps the action to be taken to supplement the Funds raised for the purpose of a Memorial to Marrickville Soldiers.
The Mayor, Ald. J. T. Ness, will Presidg.
HENRY T. BROWN,
Hon. Secretary.
Town Hall, 5th April, 1916.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—A MONSTER CITIZENS' MEETING will be held in ST. GEORGE'S HALL, KING STREET, NEWTOWN, TO-NIGHT, TO-NIGHT, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of discussing the forthcoming Referendum to defend your rights. Public Liquor Referendum to defend your rights. Bring about a Roll up! For you are all interested. Bring about a Roll up! Come! Come! Come! Look out for Meetings in every suburb in the County of Cumberland.
J. O'BRIEN, Pres. H. EAVES, Sec.

THERE is no better Weekly Advertising Medium in the Commonwealth than the "SYDNEY MAIL."

COUNTRY NEWS.

BOY ESCAPEE RECAPTURED.
LITHGOW, Wednesday.
A lad of 13, who was committed to an institution, escaped from custody at the police station early yesterday morning. He was not placed in a cell, but in the strong-room, and in some way managed to pick the lock. He got clear away, but was recaptured some hours later, six miles this side of Mount Victoria.

WESTERN MINERS.
LITHGOW, Wednesday.
Nominations have closed for officers of the Western District Coal and Shale Employees' Federation. In only one instance will a ballot be necessary. Following are the names:—President, R. Pillans; vice-president, D. Kelly; general secretary, F. Gregory; treasurer, E. Truscott; auditors, J. Scoular, W. Barnes, and S. H. Pye; district check inspector, Thos. Schroder; returning officer, B. Schroder.

COONAMBLE, Wednesday.
Owing to the shortage of herbage on the local common, the trustees have decided to depasture stock of the commoners registered last quarter for three months, and only charge for two months.

FORBES, Wednesday.
The Forbes "Times" newspaper, established in 1861, and taken over by the late Mr. William Brooke about 10 years later, and in the hands of whose family it has remained for the past 45 years, this week was sold to Messrs. L. J. Fell and J. Leader, both of whom have been on the staff for some years.

KEMPSEY, Wednesday.
Mr. C. W. King, assistant engineer for water supply, is to visit Kempsey on the 9th inst. to inquire into the scheme to obtain a gravitation water supply for the district of Kempsey to Jerseyville. At present the town of Kempsey is getting its water supply from the river at Kempsey, but there is great need for a supply to dairymen and graziers on the Lower Macleay. During the past week good rain has fallen amounting to about 2½ inches.

LISMORE, Wednesday.
Mr. Archibald Currie, one of the pioneers of the district, died yesterday. The committee of the Agricultural Society passed a motion of appreciation of deceased's services.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday.
After 46½ years' service with the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, and 22 years with the Liverpool branch as manager, Mr. Dacres F. Evans has decided to retire on June 30 next. Mr. Evans was manager in various towns in the State prior to coming to Liverpool. His future home will be at Moaman.
A memorial erected by his fellow-workers on the N.S.W. railways to the memory of the late Cecil Colless, who was killed at Liverpool station on April 7, 1915, is to be unveiled at the Church of England Cemetery, Liverpool, on Sunday next by District Superintendent P. Smith.

MANILLA, Wednesday.
The rabbit freezing industry is to be established in Manilla. Representatives of a large firm have been in town making arrangements, and a site for the works has been secured.
Mr. Clive Wilshire, who has been secretary of the F. and S. Association for some years, was presented with a gold wristlet watch by members on retiring from the position.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.
Mr. Harold J. Stack (52) died in the hospital on Tuesday morning. Deceased was a Public School teacher at Paine's Crossing, in the Wollombi district, for 28 years. He leaves a family of four daughters and one son.

CASUALTIES.

SHIP'S COOK DROWNED.
A ship's cook named William Perry, 44, a native of Liverpool, England, was missed overboard on Saturday afternoon from the scow Hawk, which is lying in Elizabeth Bay. Yesterday water police officers recovered the body.

FOUND DROWNED.
The body of a man believed to be James E. Sodan, who lived at Alfred-street, North Sydney, was recovered from the water near the Milson's Point pontoon by the Water Police yesterday morning. Sodan had been missing from his home since Tuesday evening.

WOMAN BADLY INJURED.
Mrs. Barina Cludwell, 45, who lives in Bass-road, Undercliffe, was riding in a side-car attached to a motor cycle ridden by her son in Marrickville-road, Dulwich Hill, yesterday. The car became detached and crashed into a lamppost. Mrs. Cludwell being thrown out. She received injuries to the head and internal injuries. The Civil Ambulance took her to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, where she was admitted.

WOMAN POISONED.
Yesterday Mabel Marbwell, 29, was taken from her home, 29 Alice-street, Newtown, to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital by the Civil Ambulance. She was suffering from poisoning.

MINER'S DEATH.
BULLI, Wednesday.
At the inquest held by the Deputy Coroner (Mr. J. Kirby) concerning the death of William Mackay, 23 years of age, who was run over by some skips in the South Bulli mine on March 3, a verdict of accidental death was recorded.

THROWN FROM A SULKY.
ROCKLEY, Wednesday.
Mr. C. Hunt, manager for Mr. H. A. McPhillamy, Rockley, met with a serious accident yesterday through his horse shying and throwing him out of the sulky. He was flung with great violence against a fence, and sustained a broken collarbone and four broken ribs.

DROWNED IN A WELL.
BOWRAL, Wednesday.
Charles John Goodsell, 47, met death on Monday afternoon while digging a well. He fell 25ft. into 12ft. of water. The body was recovered an hour and a half later.

QUEENSLAND MAIZE.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.
Mr. Quodling, of the Agricultural Department, asked for an opinion with regard to maize prospects for the coming season, said the conditions had varied of late in the different districts. Many crops in the Burnett from which very good results had been anticipated had practically failed through lack of the dry weather. Conditions grain because of the dry weather. Conditions in Lockyer and about Lowood were much the same as in the Burnett, and prospects of anything like a normal crop were not hopeful. On the other hand, Beaudesert district had had excellent rains during the warm summer months, and it was anticipated that the maize there will be better this season than for years. On the Darling Downs generally, the maize crop is not anticipated to be up to expectations, although in the Killarney district it is expected to be better than elsewhere on the Darling Downs. Quodling added that there were any number of good fodder crops, but the position was by no means as promising in the matter of grain.

MARINE ENGINEERS.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.
The Union Company and the Marine Engineers' Institute have signed an agreement for three years, giving the engineers in the company's employ increased wages and improved conditions.

WATTLES AT GALLIPOLI.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE

FUNERALS.

AYRES.—The Relatives and Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. AYRES are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their infant son, Frederick William, which will leave Brewarrina Hospital THIS DAY (Thursday) for Waverley Cemetery.

CURR.—The Funeral of the late FRANCES CURR will leave her late residence, Parramatta-road, Ashfield, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Rookwood.
WILLIAM METCALFE and CO.
Tel., 1360 Pinnacle.

CURR.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. SMALL, Mr. and Mrs. A. CURR, Mr. and Mrs. A. CURR, Mr. and Mrs. A. CURR

BIRTHS.

OATLEY.—April 2, 1916, at Wallaroo, Holt-avenue, Mosman, the wife of Mr. C. Oatley—a daughter.

PATERSON.—March 23, 1916, at Nurse Metzleon's private hospital, Albion-street, Waverley, to Mr. and Mrs. Colin F. Paterson, of Darley-road, Randwick—a son (Colin Charles Benson).

ROSE.—March 30, at Nurse Shepherd's private hospital, Sydenham, to Mr. and Mrs. James Hector Rose (nee Annie Nelson)—twin sons (premature).

WARDROP.—April 3, at Government Savings Bank, Goulburn, the wife of Robert Wardrop—a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

GIBSON—FAWDON.—March 25, at St. Philip's Church, Wynyard-square, by Canon Bellingham, M.A., John Thomas, second son of the late Mr. W. Gibson and Mrs. Gibson, of Grayton, Balmain, to Mary Elizabeth Marshall, eldest daughter of H. W. Fawdon, R.N.R., and the late Mrs. Fawdon, of London.

SWINTON—CAMPBELL.—March 27, 1916, Trooper Edward Arthur, second son of Samuel Mackenzie Swinton and Mrs. Swinton, of Llangothlin, to Dorothy Clare, eldest daughter of Ernest Edward Campbell and Mrs. Campbell, Scone.

DEATHS.

ALLAN.—April 1, at his parents' residence, Belmore-street, Bega, William Crawford, only son of Mr. and Mrs. William Allan, aged 48 years.

BAINBRIDGE.—March 31, at his residence, Newburgh, Hawthorn, Victoria, Joseph Proctor Bainbridge, J.P., beloved husband of Marion J. Bainbridge, and father of J. P. Bainbridge, J.P., Registrar of the Melbourne University, F. W. Bainbridge, manager Union Bank, Cowra, N.S.W., and H. N. Bainbridge, manager for S.A. of the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, in his 77th year.

CUSH.—April 4, 1916, at her late residence, Parramatta-road, Ashfield, Frances Curr, aged 69 years.

DEVINE.—April 5, 1916, at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Camperdown, John Joseph Devine, of 50 Station-street, Newtown, aged 54 years. R.I.P.

GARTRELL.—April 4, 1916, at his late residence, Gordon-road, Chatswood, William Henry, dearly-loved husband of Emma Gartrell, aged 66 years.

HARRIS-WALKER.—April 5, at his daughter's residence, Ulindra, Thrupp-street, Neutral Bay, the Rev. W. F. Harris-Walker, aged 72.

MURPHY.—April 5, 1916, at 218 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, Jeremiah Murphy, eldest son of Cornelius Murphy, and born at Candlekerry, County Kerry, in his 69th year. R.I.P. Western Australian and home papers please copy.

OATLEY.—At Mosman, Joan Mona, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Oatley.

POATE.—April 4, 1916, at her residence, Clanfield, 50 Penshurst-street, Bondi, Julia F. E. Poate, dearly loved wife of Fred. Poate, Surveyor-General, aged 62 years. Interred at Waverley Cemetery 5th instant.

POLLOCK.—April 5, 1916, at his late residence, Remuera, N. Nicholson-street, Balmain East, Robert Pollock, late surveyor to Lloyd's Register, in his 74th year.

RUSSELL.—April 4, 1916, at Point Clare, John M., relict of the late J. P. Russell, eldest daughter of the late Mrs. James Henry, late of Uralla and Ryde, and the dearly-loved mother of William, Joseph, Sydney, James, and Ethel Russell, Mrs. C. Fletcher, and Mrs. W. Hook, of North Sydney, in her 72nd year.

SUMMERTON.—April 4, 1916, at her late residence, Thistle, Roscoe street, Bondi, of meningitis, Adelaide Summerton, aged 31 years.

WALKER.—April 4, 1916, at the Home of Peace, Marrickville, Miss Annie Walker, late of Enmore.

IN MEMORIAM.

ALLEN.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Henry Allen, who departed this life April 6, 1915.
Gone, but not forgotten
By the one who loved him best.
There is not another in this world
Shall ever take his place.
Inserted by his loving wife, Margaret Allen.

ALLEN.—In affectionate remembrance of Harry Allen, who departed this life on April 6, 1915, at Broadstairs-street, Balmain.
Through clouds and sunshine, Oh, abide with me.
Inserted by his loving wife, family, and relations.

ALLEN.—In loving memory of our dear father, who passed away April 6, 1915, aged 69 years.
As the ivy clings to the oak
Our memory clings to thee.
Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Ben and Jean Allen.

ALLEN.—In loving memory of our dear father, Henry Allen, who died April 6, 1915, aged 69 years.
Our home was bright and happy once,
When we were all together,
But, oh, how changed it all is now
Since you have gone for ever.
We dream we see your dear, kind face,
And kiss your still, cold brow;
But in our aching hearts we know
We have no home and no father now.
Inserted by his sorrowing daughters, Eliza and Elsie, and son-in-law, Fred (on active service), and grandson, Hesr Randall.

ALLEN.—In loving memory of my dear stepfather, Henry Allen, who died April 6, 1915, aged 69 years.
This is the day of remembrance to all,
This is the day that is sad to recall;
Flowers may wither, ever fail to see,
But forget you never shall we.
Inserted by his sorrowing stepson and wife, George and Ruby Day, and grandchildren, George, Stanley, Eileen, and Willie.

ALLEN.—In loving memory of my dear stepfather, Henry Allen, who died April 6, 1915, aged 69.
No sympathy is needed now,
Your cares are all at rest;
But happy are they who now can say
They loved you most and served you best.
Inserted by his sorrowing stepson and wife, Tom and Maude, and grandchildren, Alan, Phyllis, and Winnie Day.

BRADFORD.—In sad but loving memory of my dear son, George (Curly), who passed to a higher life, April 6, 1916, at Prince Alfred Hospital, result of accident at Nelson-street, Annandale, aged 15 years.
When we reach the shining portal
Of the city bright and fair,
Every heart with joy will gladden,
For we'll know each other there.
We shall know the hand that beckons
In the throng upon the shore,
And we'll see familiar faces,
That we've seen in the days of yore.
Inserted by his loving mother, brother, and sister.

BRAILEY.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our father, Richard Brailey, who departed this life April 6, 1908. Inserted by his loving wife, Theresa, and daughters, Lal., and Lucy.

BRAILEY.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, Richard Brailey, who departed this life April 6, 1908. Inserted by his loving wife, Teresa, and daughters, Eliza., Lal., and Lucy.

BURNS.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who departed this life April 6, 1904. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Margaret, William Knox, and grandchildren.

BURNS.—A tribute of everlasting love to the memory of our dear mother, Isabella Burns, who departed this life April 6, 1901. Inserted by her loving sons, Patrick and Peter.

CARRATT.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear daddy, who died at his residence, Pennyson-road, Mortlake, April 6, 1905, after a long illness, aged 29 years. Still sadly missed by his loving wife, Hannah Carratt, and children, Willie, Evelyn, and Arthur.
Gone, but not forgotten
By the one who loved you best;
God eased your dreadful suffering
When He called you home to rest.

CHAPMAN.—In memory of our beloved son and brother, Thomas Albert, who died April 6, 1911. Inserted by his father, mother, brother, and sister.

CLARK.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our dear mother, who departed this life April 6, 1910. Inserted by her loving husband and children, Violet, Bob, Jack, Ted, and Kit.

COATES.—In sad but loving memory of my dear daughter, Agnes Louisa Coates, who passed away, April 5, 1915. Deeply regretted.
Not one she loved was by her side
To hear her last faint sigh,
Or whisper just one loving word
Before she closed her eyes.
She bade no one her last good-bye,
She waved her hand to none;
Her spirit fled before we knew
That from us she had gone.
Inserted by her loving father and mother, and Clarence Goldsmith.

COATES.—In sad but loving memory of my dear sister, Agnes Louisa Coates, who departed this life April 5, 1915. Sadly missed.
I have lost my soul's companion—
A life linked with my own.
One in life and love and feeling.
Death has parted, now alone.
I miss you, dear sister;
'Tis sweet to breathe your name.
In life I loved you dearly,
In death I'll do the same.
Her heart was always in her home,
She strove and did her best;
Until there came a sudden change,
And God took her to rest.
Inserted by her loving sister and brother-in-law, Alice and James Brown.

DEAN.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, Frank Dean, who departed this life April 6, 1915. Inserted by his loving wife, sons, and daughter.

DEVITT.—In loving memory of John Devitt (from Port Nably, County Fermanagh, Ireland), who departed this life April 6, 1903, aged 70 years.
We hope to meet thee again.
Inserted by his wife and two daughters.

DICKEY.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our dear mother, Harriet Dickey, who departed this life April 6, 1912, at Glebe Point. Inserted by her loving husband and family.

EDEN.—In loving memory of my dear husband and father, John Eden, who departed this life April 6, 1914. Inserted by his loving wife and children.

EDEN.—In loving memory of our dear father, who departed this life April 6, 1914. Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Dolly and Ted Lapham.

ETHERDEN.—In loving remembrance of our dear sister, Queenie Gladys, who was accidentally killed at Kurrajong, April 6, 1914.
There are griefs that cannot find comfort,
And wounds that cannot be healed;
There are sorrows so deep in the human heart,
That cannot be half revealed.
Inserted by her loving brother and sister-in-law, Harrie and Bertha Etherden, also little niece, Edna.

ETHERDEN.—In loving memory of our dear niece, Queenie, accidentally killed at Kurrajong, Richmond, April 6, 1914. Inserted by her loving uncle and aunt, W. H. and Mrs. French.

ETHERDEN.—In loving memory of my dear cousin, Queenie, accidentally killed, Kurrajong, Richmond, April 6, 1914. Inserted by her loving cousin, George French.

ETHERDEN.—In ever-loving memory of our dear cousin, Queenie, who was accidentally killed at Kurrajong, Richmond, April 6, 1914, aged 24 years. Ever remembered by her loving cousins, Poppy and Will Ashley, Bexley.

GARDNER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Julia Higham Gardner, who departed this life April 6, 1904; also our dear father, John Gardner, died December 24, 1888. Inserted by their loving daughter and son, Esther and Fred. Rowley.

GARDNER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Julia Higham Gardner, who departed this life April 6, 1904. Inserted by her loving daughter and son, Amy and James Jurden.

GARDNER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Julia Higham Gardner, who departed this life April 6, 1904. Inserted by her loving sons and daughter, Ben, George, and Rebecca Gardner.

GARDNER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Julia Higham Gardner, who departed this life April 6, 1904. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. Dillon.

JACKSON.—In loving remembrance of our dearly loved son and brother, Tommy, who passed away April 6, 1915, aged 17 years. Though death divides fond memories cling. Inserted by his loving parents, W. and E. Jackson, and brother Richie.

IN MEMORIAM.

JOHNSON.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our father, who departed this life April 6, 1913, aged 67 years.
Silently he sleeps, but memory lingers.
Inserted by his loving wife, Martha, and children, Fred., Evelyn, Marian, Hughie, Louisa, and grandchildren.

JOHNSON.—In loving memory of my dear father, who departed this life April 6, 1913. At rest. Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Nellie and Arthur Harris (now on active service).

JOHNSON.—In loving memory of our dear father, who departed this life April 6, 1913.
Peacefully sleeping, resting at last.
Inserted by his loving daughter, Annie, and grandsons, Jack and Charlie Kleeberg.

JOHNSON.—In loving memory of our dear father, who died April 6, 1913.
Days of sadness still come o'er us,
Silent tears as often flow,
For memory keeps our dear father near us
Though he died three years ago.
Inserted by his loving sons, Tom and Chris. (now on active service).

KEEGAN.—In loving memory of my dear sister, Mar (Mrs. Jack Keegan), who passed away April 6, 1915, at Warren, N.S.W.
Far and oft my thoughts do wander
To the grave so far away,
Where they laid my darling sister
Just a year ago to-day.
Inserted by her loving sister, Ida.

MORGAN-BROOKER.—In loving memory of my darling mother, who departed this life April 3, 1913. Never forgotten. Inserted by her loving daughter, Riverina.

MORRIS.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our loving mother, Mary Morris, who passed peacefully away from this life April 6, 1914, at Five Dock.
It seemeth such a little way to me
Across to that bright country, "The Beyond."
It is not strange, for it has grown to be
The home of those of whom I am so fond.
They make it seem familiar and most dear
As journeying friends bring distant regions near.
Inserted by her loving husband, H. C. Morris, and family.

MORRIS.—In loving memory of our dear sister, Mary, who passed away April 6, 1914. Inserted by her affectionate sisters, J. Weygood and F. M. Bray.

MORTON.—In loving memory of our dear father, William Morton, aged 87, who departed this life April 6, 1910. At rest. Inserted by his loving daughters, Kate and Lizzie, and son-in-law, Henry Armstrong.

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NORRIS.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Eliza Beth Norris, who departed this life April 6, 1912. Sadly missed by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Ray and George Marr, and grandson, Charles.

PENNINGTON.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Ferentine Mary, who departed this life, April 3, 1913.
No one knows how much I miss you,
Some may think the wound is healed,
For they cannot feel the sorrow
In my aching heart concealed.
Inserted by her loving husband, Frederick Pennington.

RABJONES.—In loving memory of my dear father, who passed away at South Murwillumbah on April 6, 1911.
For memory keeps our dear one near us,
Though he died five years ago.
Inserted by his loving daughter, Mas Rabjones.

ROHAN.—In loving memory of my loving niece, Mollie, who departed this life April 5, 1915, at Lismore. Inserted by her loving uncle, Robert Jackson.

ROBBINS.—In loving memory of Emma Jane Robbins, beloved eldest daughter of Mrs. and the late Charles Taylor, a native of Camden, died at her residence, Birrell-street, Waverley, April 6, 1908. Deeply regretted. Inserted by her loving mother, brothers, and sisters.

RUNSTON.—A token of love and affection to the memory of our dear mother, who was called home on April 5, 1915.
In sorrow I sat beside your bed
And wiped the death dews from your brow,
But sweet the thought your pain is o'er,
You are with your heavenly Father now.
Inserted by your loving daughter, Mary, and son.

SCHLIEMANN.—A tribute of love to the memory of our dear father, Ferdinand Wilhelm, who died April 6, 1914.
Though lost to sight, to memory dear.
Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law.

SCHLIEMANN.—In loving memory of our dear father, Ferdinand Wilhelm Schliemann, who died April 6, 1914. Inserted by his loving son and daughter, Max and Anna.

SCOTT.—In sad but loving memory of our dear mother, Frances, who departed this life April 6, 1908, aged 30 years.
Her heart was always in her home,
She toiled and did her best,
Until there came the sudden call,
When God called her to rest.
Inserted by her loving children, Alfie, Ivy, Jack, and Dave Scott.

SCOTT.—In sad but loving memory of my dear daughter, Frances, who departed this life April 6, 1908, aged 30 years. Deeply mourned and sadly missed by her loving mother, Frances Dowd, and Wm. Dowd, 110 Commonwealth-street, Surry Hills.

SCOTT.—In sad but loving memory of our dear sister, Frances, who departed this life April 6, 1908, aged 30 years. R.I.P. Inserted by her loving brother, Private A. J. Dowd (now on active service), Egypt, and wife, Josy, 67½ Stuart-street, Paddington, Sydney.

SCOTT.—In sad memory of my dear sister, Frances, who died April 6, 1908, aged 30 years.
No one knows how much I miss you.
There is such a vacant place;
How I miss her well-known footsteps,
And her dear sweet smiling face.
All who have a sister cherish her with fondest care,
For when she's dead and gone forever,
You will miss her everywhere.
May her soul rest in peace.
Inserted by her only sister, Mary Wilson, and nephews, Willie, Tom, and Dave.

SCOTT.—In loving memory of my dear sister, Frances, who departed this life on April 6, 1908, aged 30 years.
Sweet Jesus, have mercy on her soul.
Inserted by her loving brother, Sonie, and nieces, Frances and Ethel.

SCOTT.—In sad but affectionate remembrance of our dear sister, Frances Scott (nee Barry), who departed this life April 6, 1908. Rest in peace. Inserted by her loving brother and sister-in-law, Patrick and Isabel Barry.

SCOTT.—In loving remembrance of my dear sister-in-law and aunt, Frances, who departed this life April 6, 1908, aged 30 years.
She passed away her rosary holding
In her cold and lifeless hand,
With the crucifix her passport,
To you bright and happy land.
She has crossed death's gloomy valley,
Laid life's griefs and sorrows down,
That she with her loving Saviour
May bear no cross, but wear a crown.
Inserted by her loving sister-in-law, Ethel Dowd, and nieces, Elsie, Frances, Ethel.

SHADBOLT.—In ever-loving memory of our darling daughter and sister, Hilda, whom God called home April 6, 1912, aged 18 years 10 months.
Sheltered with the Rock of Ages,
Anchored safe and sure,
In the perfect love of Jesus,
Evermore secure.
Still so sadly missed by her loving father and mother, J. and E. Shadbolt, brothers Harry (on active service) and Albert, sisters Beasie and Ruth, and brother-in-law Bert Everett.

SHADBOLT.—In loving memory of my dear friend, Hilda, whom God called home April 6th, 1912, aged 18 years 10 months. Not dead, but sleeping. Inserted by her loving friend, Delia Rosenberg.

SHEARD.—In loving memory of our darling little daughter, Beryl Dorothy, who fell asleep April 6, 1912, aged 4 years.
She was only a little white snowdrop;
A sweet little flower from her birth;
So God took her home to heaven
Before she was spoiled by the earth.
Inserted by her sorrowing parents, Hubert and Lily Sheard, of Botany.

SHEARD.—In loving memory of our darling little niece, Beryl Dorothy, who fell asleep April 6, 1912, aged 4 years. A bud in heaven. Inserted by her loving aunties, Janie Jones and Olive Grigg.

SMITH.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband and our grandmother, Sarah Smith, who departed this life April 4, 1914. Inserted by their daughter, Jane Leary, and grandchildren, Albert and Viola.

SMITH.—A token of love to our darling little son, Billie Smith, who died suddenly at Sydney Hospital, April 6, 1914, aged 2 years and 4 months. A bud in heaven. Inserted by his sorrowing parents, William and Leonie Smith, and little sisters, Nellie and Edna.

SMITH.—In loving memory of my little friend, Billie, who departed this life April 6, 1914.
Sleep on, dear Billie, and take the rest,
They miss you most who loved you best.
Inserted by his loving friend, M. Jonson.

UNDERHILL.—Ever lovingly remembered, our darling mother and grandma, Hannah Underhill, who passed away April 6, 1915, at our old home, Blakeshown, England.
Worthy of everlasting love was she.
Peace, perfect peace.
Inserted by her sorrowing children, Sarah and Harry Davies, and grandchildren, Clarice and Dorothy, of Yowie Bay and Cronulla.

WARD.—In loving memory of my dear husband, George Ward, who passed to a higher life April 6, 1915.
God will link the broken chain
Still closer when we meet again.
Inserted by his loving wife, S. Ward.

WARD.—In loving remembrance of our dear brother-in-law, George Ward, who departed this life April 6, 1915. Inserted by his brother and sister-in-law, J. and A. Tye.

WOOD.—In loving memory of our dear son, Sydney Benjamin, who departed this life April 6, 1911, aged 26 years.
Sleep in peace, oh dearest Siddy,
Thou art happy, thou art blest,
Earthly care and sorrow ended,
Naught can break thy holy rest.
Inserted by his loving father and mother, H. and M. Wood.

WOOD.—In loving memory of my dear brother, Sydney Benjamin, who departed this life April 6, 1911, aged 26 years. Inserted by his loving brother, Arthur Wood.

WOOD.—In loving memory of our dear brother, Sydney Benjamin, who departed this life April 6, 1911, aged 26 years. Inserted by his loving brother and sister, Selby and Cicy Wood.

WOOLACOTT.—In sad but loving memory of my dear son, Horace, who departed this life April 6, 1913. Inserted by his loving father, sister, and brother.

RETURN THANKS.

Mrs. HARRIS wishes to convey her heartfelt THANKS to Returned Soldiers' Association and to members of N.S.W. Operative Bakers' Association, and all kind friends for their kindness and sympathy in her sad bereavement in the death of her loving husband, G. A. Harris (returned soldier); also to Dr. Maher and nursing staff of St. Vincent's Hospital.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 1916.

THE BRITISH BUDGET.

In times of war such as these the authority of the Chancellor of the Exchequer in a British Cabinet is very different from that which he may exercise in times of peace. Mr. Churchill, in his resignation speech, contrasted the freedom in expenditure which the Admiralty had enjoyed since the war began with the constraint under which it had laboured when all estimates had to be submitted to the Treasury for approval. Mr. Asquith has described how this half-realised freedom has worked in both services in his two recent speeches on the national economy and on the army vote. In each of the services a desperate effort has been made to check waste and peculation, and a very great success has been achieved. But the control comes from the War Office or the Admiralty, and not from the Treasury. So long as the responsible officials in these departments consider that money is needed it must be found, and it is not for the Chancellor of the Exchequer to review their decisions. The same proposition is true of the recommendations of the Foreign Office. If Sir Edward Grey advises that a sum of money be lent to an ally or to a neutral it will be provided. If he suggests, with the approval of the Cabinet, that a large portion of the Roumanian wheat crop be bought and paid for in gold the contract will be fulfilled, whether the wheat is needed or whether there is the slightest prospect of conveying it to England. The interest of a Budget speech to-day, in war time, is, therefore, to some extent anticipated by the speeches of the Prime Minister and of the heads of departments. But in two respects the statements of the Chancellor of the Exchequer have an even greater interest than in peace time. He can show how the credit of Great Britain is meeting the strain imposed upon it, and he is bound to show how taxation may be used to forward aspects of national policy for which there is no precedent nor any accepted party dogmas. In the Budget before us we see how national policy has affected certain sources of wealth. The necessity of providing more cargo space has checked the flow of certain imports, penalised either because of their bulk or their want of utility, and has therefore diminished the revenue. The new liquor laws which enable artisans to do more and better work have diminished the excise returns. The desire to check luxury has operated in many ways, and particularly in the new tax on amusements, just as in Mr. M'Kenna's last Budget the luxury duties were imposed, not for revenue or protective purposes, but to discourage the use of unnecessary imported articles.

Put the clearest instance of a policy tax is the increased rate imposed on war profits, and the application of the tax to the sale of profit-earning assets. There have been occasions during the war on which workmen have expressed their willingness to work for the State, but their refusal to continue in occupations in which private owners were earning enormous profits solely through the rise in prices due to the war. The cry was very effective at the time of the Welsh coal strike, but it has been heard many times since, and its validity has been emphasised by the complaints of the Italian Government at the enormous increase in the price of British cargo space and British coal. The cry is answered by this tax far more effectively than by the first tax on coal profits. Though the State will derive only a small portion of its revenue from war profits the nation will be assured that for the future no body of rich men will make a profit out of its sacrifices. The Budget might no doubt have been more equitable had the supertax been increased so that a greater part of the margin of superfluous wealth should be appropriated, and had a more genuine attempt been made to tax the wages earned by munition workers. Possibly both these classes are included in Mr. M'Kenna's assertion that the margin of sacrifices must not be pushed too far. Millionaires must contribute to the loans of the future as they have contributed to those already issued. So must the artisan class unless the various committees are to confess themselves baffled and the British workman at home is to admit himself inferior in patriotism to either the Frenchman or the German. In many cases the wages of these workmen now range from ten to twenty pounds a week, an increase entirely due to the distribution of a large part of the enormous war expenditure in Great Britain. So far very little of this income has been returned directly in loans, and none in direct taxation. It is obviously necessary for a hard-pressed Chancellor of the Exchequer to get some of it if he is to continue to finance a war at the rate of five millions a day; whether he gets it from loans, from the sale of Exchequer bonds of small amounts, or from some form of taxation. The sentences in which Mr. M'Kenna has challenged comparison with Germany revive a controversy which has now been decided by the verdict of neutral countries. Whatever test is taken there is no comparison between the credit of Great Britain and that of the Central Powers. Even in Germany itself it is realised that after defeat bankruptcy will be certain; and after victory there will be grave doubts of the national solvency, the hope of indemnities having now apparently been abandoned. Mr. M'Kenna makes the comparison the more conclusive by showing that Great Britain has provided interest out of a sinking fund for all her war loans by taxation, and has looked well ahead for another year of the war. Herr Helfferich can show no such confidence even when he rashly sets out to make his Budget statement as damaging as possible to Great Britain. He can with truth say that small property-holders have hitherto subscribed more freely than Englishmen. He was for some time entitled to say that one shilling in Germany will go as far as two in England. These facts corroborate what we know of German patriotism; but they do not supply the Government with money nor prevent it from having to pay enormous prices for goods purchased abroad. Obviously a nation which has no export trade cannot preserve its credit, and a nation which enjoys the freedom of the seas can afford to spend far more money, provided always that the expenditure is perfectly supervised. Herr Helfferich's last retort that a German without his money is still a man and an Englishman without his is nobody is, however, one of those half truths which ar worth remembering. It will teach us that though lack of money may modify German policy and drive them into premature movements, it will not bring about an early peace. Peace will be brought about only by a military defeat, to which British credit contributes a share no less necessary, though much less honourable, than the army and the navy.

PERFECTLY LOGICAL.

No sooner is one dispute settled than another is reported, and strike follows strike with monotonous regularity. To-day we are threatened with serious trouble on the railways, and the bakers are keeping the ball rolling by demanding higher wages on threat of leaving us without bread. What is at the bottom of this unrest? Is it due to enemy activity among militant unionists who only need sufficient agitation to bring them out on strike at any time? Or do the latter really think that, when government is difficult and the world is rocking, the time is opportune to make demands and to enforce them by strikes? In either case the enemy scores; but in our opinion the whole miserable business is perfectly logical. It is the natural corollary of the doctrines of Socialism which are behind the whole Labour platform. Take, for instance, the principle laid down in a judgment recently delivered by Mr. Justice Edmunds. "The public," he said, "is the ultimate employer and payer of wages. But where it pays directly, and exercises direct control, the case is widely different from that in which a middleman pays and exercises control. Awards may ruin the middleman; but the community at large can hardly suggest that the community has no right to pay for services to itself lower than fair wages." The inference in this, as we pointed out at the time, is that the State cannot go bankrupt. Whatever the Court may decide to be "fair wages" must be paid, though payment on a like scale would inevitably send private traders into the insolvency Court. But the Judge in this particular case had shown that the award he was considering gave a minimum wage based on a higher scale than the one indicated either by the Federal Statistician or by Mr. Justice Higgins. The Railway Commissioners had appealed against it as too high and the employees had protested that it was too low. Mr. Justice Edmunds let it stand as a sort of mean between two extremes, because apparently the State was employer and could not go bankrupt. Now, this takes us to the heart of the position occupied by unionists whose faith is pinned to the State either as employer, or as the power through a Labour Government which can coerce private enterprise wherever it operates. The first unionist thought is that any unionist demand is fair, because the cost of living has gone up, and because it is essential that the present standard of comfort shall be maintained. Again the State as employer cannot go bankrupt as long as there are taxpayers to be levied upon; and in all State departments the new standard for a living wage can and shall be recognised. If the Wages Boards decide the other way they must be ignored; and if the Industrial Arbitration Court backs up the Wages Boards it may be treated with contempt. The strike is the answer to every denial that a demand for increased wages is just and right. As in Germany the State here is to be supreme.

The Socialistic position, then, is that the State as employer is always solvent, and is able to pay higher wages as the employees may demand. The latter consider the Government in these days their servant, it is at their beck and call, and other classes of the community do not count. Taxpayers as such are like a herd of dairy cattle—kept for their milking capacity. Labour supporters are not to be taxpayers. They are the State. As for the war, it may be the supreme factor in advancing the cost of living, and as such must inevitably curtail the community's ability to pay taxes and provide revenue for increased wages; but the militant unionist is opposed to the militarism of uniforms and rifles, and therefore has no time for the Empire in its life and death struggle. For him it simply does not exist. This is all perfectly consistent and logical on the premises. Railway employees demand additional dinner money, whether the award grants it or not; but the Chief Railway Commissioner who is bound by the law, just as his office has been created by it, declares that he can only pay what the award allows him to do. Upon this we have threats of wholesale dislocation of traffic and the community directly may find itself cut off from its main avenue of supply and locomotion. As if to keep the railway men in countenance, the bread supply in an industry threatened with absorption by the State as a result of the Attorney-General's dreaming, is to stop or to be so seriously curtailed that with good management there may be just enough to go round. The Government as State baker is not to be upset by this, because it is just an expression of the will of its masters; and when all the bakeries are taken over by the State on Mr. Hall's nod, there will still be strikes, because presumably industrial arbitration will remain. Nothing can prevent strikes when the spirit behind is anarchical and unreasonable, and this is the final fact before us. Labour in power is showing itself opposed to fair dealing and utterly lacking in statesmanship. The war is not subduing its selfishness in the interests of all, but stimulating it; and the public is learning many bitter lessons.

TASMANIA'S DILEMMA.

...o finality has been reached by the Tasmanian elections except that the resignation of the Labour Government is inevitable. Our immediate interest is in the failure of preferential voting in Tasmania, under a system declared to be nearly perfect. It is true that amendments have been suggested. One amendment proposes that an uneven number of candidates should be voted for instead of the six in each electorate now fixed; and in other ways the last imperfections are to be removed. Some effort has been made to prepare the road for legislation, but so far nothing has really been attempted in actual amendment of the existing law. Proportional voting, however, does not seem to offer any solution of the problem of obtaining a working majority when parties are nearly equal in strength. It may be asked in reply whether any other system does. Well, in spite of the injustice to strong minorities, the rough and ready method of single electorates with one man one vote does give something to work with. Governments still have to make appeal to the electors, and reaction does count. Ministers who play fast and loose with political principles, who fish for votes, and who squander public money in corrupting the electors, find a Nemesis at last. Again we may be asked whether politics under any system as we know them to-day are worth while. People have grown disgusted with the average politician and if they had their will would shut up the various Parliament Houses till the war was over. But we are discussing the preferential system of voting at the present moment; and we venture to suggest that even if Tasmanian politics were conducted on the highest possible plane there would be a deadlock. Parties are about equal there on the lower levels of ability and idealism just as they are here, and it is fair to assume them equal on the higher levels for purposes of our argument. Allowing this to be so, preferential voting would give no better results than are now being recorded; and Tasmania, unfortunately for herself, seems as little able to get rid of her nearly-perfect electoral system as of her mediocre politicians. Her way out, as our own and Queensland's, will be by unification, and more and more that remedy appeals to the taxpayers who have to dance to present music.

EDUCATION OFFICE.

The Vice-President of the Executive Council, Mr. J. D. Fitzgerald, M.L.C., will act as Minister for Education pending the conclusion of the petrol scandal inquiry by Mr. Justice Pring.

ARMOURED CAR UNIT

SERVING IN RUSSIA.

AN AUSTRALIAN INCLUDED.

When the doings of the little compact British Force, the Armoured Car Squadron of the R.N.A.S., which is now operating in Russia, are published lovers of adventure and unique experiences will have an interesting chapter to read. A great deal of mystery surrounded this force prior to leaving England and during their progress to Russia. Evidently the force entered Russia via the White Sea and Archangel.

At least one Australian, Petty Officer A. S. Pursell, of A. B. Pursell and Co., of this city, has the privilege of being in the British Armoured Car Expedition which is now helping the Russians. The voyage to Archangel was an Arctic experience. The snow and ice had to be cleared daily from the ship by the men. The overland journey from Archangel to Petrograd, and then on to Riga, where no doubt this armoured car brigade was operating in connection with recent attacks on the Germans, will be worth hearing.

The King, who is much interested in this small section of the British Forces, sent the following message to Commander Locker Lampson, in charge of the expedition:—"Tell the men under your command how glad I am that they have been placed at the disposal of H.I.M. the Emperor of Russia. I know they will uphold that high reputation which they have already earned in the western theatre of war. GEORGE R.I."

During the voyage to Archangel the men printed and published a little newspaper twice weekly, and amongst the news in this midget sheet is the following:—"Last Sunday morning the armoured car squadrons established a record by singing 'God Save the King' farther north than any British field service on active service had ever done before."

Before leaving England Princess Louise gave the men many specially designed waistcoats for use on this expedition. A letter to one of the wives of the men states:—"The men are all well and happy in a temperature 7 degrees below zero (29 degrees of frost). On the march out to the place somewhere in Russia where they are stationed now they washed in snow, and also cooked in snow."

The motto of the "Archangel Herald," the men's paper, is, "Fear God and Fear Naught."

PERSONAL.

VICE REGAL.

His Excellency the Governor-General, accompanied by her Excellency Lady Helen Munro Ferguson, and attended by Captain Haskett-Smith, A.D.C., presided at the annual meeting of the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children held at the hospital at Camperdown yesterday afternoon.

His Excellency the Governor left Sydney for Hillview, Sutton Forest, last evening.

Dr. Clubbe, who was yesterday re-elected president of the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children, has been connected with that institution for 32 years, for 12 years of which he has been president. At the annual meeting yesterday Mr. H. Y. Braddon, on behalf of the members of the committee, paid a tribute to Dr. Clubbe's long and valuable service.

Lieut. S. W. G. Rateliff, M.B., Ch.M., Sydney University, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rateliff, Northroad, Five Dock, has been promoted to captain in the R.A.M.C., and, at the request of the Imperial authorities, he has extended his service to 1917. Captain Rateliff has been the medical officer in charge of the 36th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery, continuously in action in Flanders on the British front since early 1915. He was one of the Sydney University graduates who volunteered in 1914 at the call of the Imperial Government to Australia for doctors. He has been twice wounded, and is at present on short leave in London before taking up his post with the brigade again.

Inspector William J. Bowler, of the police, who since 1907 has been in charge of the Chatswood subdivision, and has just been transferred to the Padd

SEA FIGHT.

DANISH REPORT.

BRITISH BUDGET.

HUGE EXPENDITURE.

According to Copenhagen newspapers, there has been a naval engagement in the Cattegat. A German torpedo-destroyer is said to have been badly damaged.

A disabled German hydroaeroplane was picked up by a French destroyer in the North Sea. The pilots were taken prisoner.

Five Austrian seaplanes appeared at Ancona (on the Adriatic). Three were brought down at sea.

Strong German attacks south of Douaumont were repulsed by the French. The enemy, who retreated in disorder, suffered heavy loss.

The Russians repulsed the enemy's offensive on the railway west of Tarnopol (Galicia).

What is described as the greatest Budget in history was introduced in the House of Commons on Tuesday. The annual expenditure is nine times as great as that during the last completed year of peace. The daily expenditure is now about £5,000,000.

The House passed resolutions authorising the collection of the new duties and taxes. The whole of the Chancellor's proposals were agreed to.

AIR WAR.

ZEPPELINS.

THE RAID ON SCOTLAND.

REMARKABLE ESCAPES.

LONDON, April 4.

Details of the raid on Scotland show that a Zeppelin flying over a coastal town used a searchlight, and dropped three bombs in a field. Next, at a great height, it passed over an important burgh, and was clearly visible. It soon became a target for anti-aircraft guns, and rapidly dropped bombs. A man partially dressed was killed in the street. A child sleeping in a cot was killed by a bolt torn from a shutter.

The Zeppelin proceeded to another centre, where the occupants of houses congregated in the basements. One bomb penetrated the pavement and exploded in a cellar in which many people had taken refuge. Five perished, and a fragment of the same bomb killed a man on the opposite side of the street. Among the buildings which narrowly escaped were a hospital with 800 patients, including many wounded soldiers, and an establishment containing German prisoners.

A card was picked up in an eastern county in England with the words, written in pencil, "vengeance for L 19." Another message from a Zeppelin was picked up in Scotland stating "returning on Thursday."

MYSTERIOUS AIRSHIP.

It is officially reported that a Zeppelin crossed the east coast of England between 1 and 2 p.m. on Tuesday. It does not seem to have been long over the land. Although several explosions are reported, no fragments of bombs have been discovered yet, and no damage or casualties can be traced.

NEW DEFENCES SUCCESSFUL.

In reply to questions in the House of Commons to-night, Mr. H. J. Tennant (Under Secretary for War), said it was impossible to say to whom credit was due for bringing down Zeppelin L15. The new defences against aircraft had proved very successful. More than one attack had been driven off, unknown to the inhabitants.

BOMBASTIC GERMAN CLAIMS.

A German communique claims that a naval air squadron bombarded Edinburgh, Leith, the docks on the Firth of Forth, Newcastle, important wharves, buildings, and blast furnaces on the Tyne, with very good results, despite a heavy bombardment. All the airships returned safely.

The above statement is officially described in London as of the "usual inaccurate and bombastic type."

TIN PLATES.

SERIOUS SHORTAGE.

WAR CONTRACT DEMANDS.

LONDON, April 4.

Australian jam, tinned meat, and condensed milk packers, and other industries using tinplates are seriously threatened owing to the shortage due to the demands of the Ministry of Munitions upon manufacturers of steel and the restriction of the output of tinplates required for war contracts, for which manufacturers must give a certificate.

The existing demand largely exceeds the supply, which will be curtailed a further 30 per cent. this month.

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WESTERN FRONT.

DOUAUMONT.

ENEMY ATTACKS REPULSED.

LONDON, April 5.

A French communique says that the Germans bombarded the front of Douaumont and Vaux with great violence. German infantry strongly attacked south of Douaumont in successive waves, followed by columns. Our artillery, machine guns, and rifles mowed them down, and they retreated in disorder to Chauffour Wood, where our artillery inflicted considerable losses. We made further progress north of Bois Caillette.

ENEMY CLAIMS.

A German communique says:—After powerful artillery preparation, the English recaptured a crater at St. Eloi.

We captured on Sunday, after bitter fighting, strong French positions southward of Douaumont, in Bois Caillette, and repulsed a nightlong counter-attack, in which exceedingly strong French forces suffered heavy losses. They repeatedly and fruitlessly stormed the lost positions.

EASTERN FRONT.

FLOODS NEAR DVINSK

GALICIA.

THE GERMAN OFFENSIVE.

PETROGRAD, April 5.

A communique says: Floods are still rising. We fired on the Germans south of Dvinsk while they were evacuating their flooded trenches. We repulsed the enemy's offensive on the railway west of Tarnopol (Galicia).

In the Caucasus we are advancing southwesterly in the region of Mush and Bitlis.

GENERAL IVANOFF RETIRES.

General Ivanoff's labours have impaired his health, and he has retired from the south-western command. The Czar, in a rescript, pays tribute to General Ivanoff's services.

MESOPOTAMIA.

THE BRITISH CAMPAIGN.

GENERAL SIR JOHN NIXON'S DESPATCH.

LONDON, April 5.

General Sir John Nixon's despatch regarding the campaign in Mesopotamia narrates that Major-General George Gorringe in seven weeks during April and May cleared Persian Arabistan, thus enabling the oilfields to resume operations. Meanwhile Major-General Townshend was collecting many long narrow boats called bellums, covered with iron plates. Troops were trained in punting, the guns being mounted on rafts and barges. Preparations were completed by the end of May, when the Turks were entrenched north of Qurnah, on islands standing out of the inundations. A flotilla of bellums advanced to the attack on May 31, the infantry carrying the position at the point of the bayonet after poling the bellums for over a mile through thick reeds and landing waistdeep in water.

GALLANT ATTACK.

Describing Major-General Townshend's first advance, General Sir John Nixon says the Turkish position seven miles north-east of Kut-el-Amara was formidable. A boom blocked the Tigris, and the entrenchments linked up gaps between the river and the marshes. The defences were well designed. Behind were miles of communication trenches, providing covered outlets to the Tigris, where landing stages facilitated the transfer of the Turks to and from the ships. Major-General Townshend's victory on September 28 was due to a feint attack south of the river, followed by the construction of a bridge, so that the troops could be conveyed to the northern side under cover of night. There was a most gallant bayonet attack, the enemy being saved from complete destruction by the coming of night.

RECRUITING.

MARRIED MEN'S PROTEST.

LONDON, April 4.

Delegates from the Attested Married Men's Union, which has been recently formed, representing 750,000 members, interviewed Lord Derby and urged that the attestation of married men be cancelled, in view of the numbers of single men not serving. The only remedy was general compulsion. The remarkable disclosure was made that 100,000 marriages had taken place between the date of national registration, August 15, and the extended date, November 2, after which men marrying were regarded as unmarried for grouping purposes.

Lord Derby approved of the union's help in tracing unmarried slackers, and agreed that compulsion was essential in the national interests.

The union passed a resolution demanding Lord Derby's resignation in the event of the Government failing to legislate.

The King has received Lord Derby in audience.

THE AUSTRALIANS.

WOUNDED RECOVERING.

The recovery of wounded Australians and New Zealanders has been accelerated by the milder weather, with the result that the number remaining in the hospitals is greatly reduced.

Recently there were 500 at Harefield, but now the number is reduced to 200. Many permanently unfit are returning, and the home training depots are filling. When the Anzacs resume fighting possibly drafts of wounded will not be brought to England.

It is understood that the British authorities favour this course, as it will leave English hospitals solely at the disposal of British wounded, but Australian and New Zealand medical men are inclined to consider the treatment of the Anzacs in England in the summer would be more beneficial than elsewhere.

ENEMY AEROPLANE.

CAPTURED IN NORTH SEA.

PARIS, April 4.

A French destroyer in the North Sea picked up a disabled German hydro-aeroplane and took the pilots prisoners.

THE BUDGET.

GREATEST IN HISTORY.

GIGANTIC FIGURES.

FIVE MILLIONS DAILY.

NEW TAXATION.

LONDON, April 4.

In the House of Commons to-night, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. R. M'Kenna, delivered his Budget speech.

The greatest Budget in history had been awaited with extraordinary interest, as greatly increased taxation was foreshadowed, affecting all classes. There was a fairly full House; the Peers' and public galleries were crowded. Mrs. M'Kenna was present in the ladies' gallery. The Prime Minister (Mr. Asquith) was absent in Italy.

Mr. M'Kenna, carrying a despatch-case, entered the House during question-time, and sat between Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Bonar Law. He rose at 3.30 p.m., and spoke for an hour, dealing immediately with his figures in a clear and business-like fashion. Avoiding attempts at oratory he boldly faced the facts. He showed the Government's preparedness for the worst possible situation by basing the Budget on the assumption that the war would not conclude before March next year. Members of the House listened attentively, and there were few interjections, indicating that the increased taxation had not exceeded expectations. There were some signs of approval at the announcement of a levy upon shipping and other excessive war profits. The Budget was passed on the realisation that it would be a mistake to drive the spirit of public sacrifice over far, but that the people were prepared to endure to the end. Mention of the King's example by his gift to the Treasury was warmly cheered. Mr. M'Kenna showed that the expenditure was nine times as great as the expenditure during the last completed year of peace. He concluded with a telling appeal for rigid economy as an essential war measure in every household.

THE SPEECH.

Mr. M'Kenna said the shortage of tonnage had had a considerable effect upon the revenue. Similarly, had the prohibition of certain imports. He assumed that the war would last through the whole of the financial year. The actual expenditure last year was £559,000,000, or £31,000,000 less than the estimate. The actual net issues to the Allies amounted to £264,000,000, and to the Dominions, £52,000,000. In the latter case the amount was £16,000,000 less than was estimated. This result was due to the public spirit of the Oversea Governments, for which they owed them their thanks. (Cheers). Making allowances for certain facts the total financial assistance rendered to the Allies amounted to £313,000,000.

In pursuance of the scheme to purchase American securities, they had bought a considerable amount out of the funds, and by their re-sale had built up a large reserve to meet future needs. The purchase money was included in last year's expenditure. The proceeds constituted an asset in America with which to begin the current year.

The total revenue for the year had amounted to £336,767,000, an increase of £31,553,000 above the estimate. The expenditure was £1,559,000,000. The deficit would be met by borrowing £600,000,000, by way of a war loan, in June; £154,000,000 by the sale of Exchequer Bonds; £50,000,000 by an Anglo-French-American loan, and the balance by the sale of Treasury Bills.

WAR INDEBTEDNESS.

Our total war indebtedness was £2,140,000,000, of which £368,000,000 had been advanced to our Allies and the Dominions. Relief would come to us in the future in regard to these items, but we were responsible now, and had to bear the whole deadweight. Additions made to our taxation fully assured national creditors that their capital and interest were secure. There would be an inevitable increase in expenditure the coming year. War services accounted for £1,120,000,000, and there would be an additional £30,000,000 for miscellaneous expenditure, bringing up the war expenditure to over £3,000,000 daily. Advances to the Allies and Dominions would be placed at £450,000,000, the consolidated services, including interest on debt at £138,000,000, which with other services brought up the total to £1,825,000,000, almost exactly £5,000,000 daily. He would be disappointed if serious economies were not effected during the year, and the large total reduced. He thanked His Majesty for his Kingly gift to the war. On Mr. Asquith's return he would decide how it should be spent. He estimated the revenue for the year at £569,000,000, of which permanent taxation represented about £423,000,000, leaving a deficit of £1,323,000,000. In addition, also, they would have to meet a new charge for interest and sinking fund, which he calculated at £79,000,000.

Regarding new taxes, his object would be to get the revenue to meet obligations, and to pay as large a proportion of the war cost as possible, and to distribute fairly the burden of taxation.

Therefore, it was proposed to impose taxes to bring in £560,000,000. There would be a small increase in the income tax on small incomes, rising to a maximum of 5s. Earned incomes up to £500 would pay 2s 3d, and £500 to £1000 2s 6d, rising in successive stages to 5s. The new scale on unearned incomes would commence at 3s on incomes not exceeding £300, rising in sixpenny stages to 5s on incomes exceeding £2000. He estimated the increases would produce £43,500,000. The supertax would not be changed.

DOUBLE INCOME TAX.

Dealing with the double income tax, he said it would have to be dealt with in the promised reconstruction of the income tax laws. For the present, where a Dominion's tax is not less than 1s 6d, he would not impose any fresh burden.

A voice: What does that mean?

Mr. M'Kenna: It means whatever they suffer they continue to suffer but they will not suffer more. The additional tax would not apply to the naval and military forces.

OTHER TAXATION.

The new Customs and excise taxes were estimated to bring in £21,800,000. There would be a tax on amusement tickets, including football and horseracing, rising from 4d to 1s, according to the cost of seats, up to 12s 6d, with an additional shilling on seats above that amount, which was estimated to realise £5,000,000. They would also impose a tax on railway tickets, yielding £3,000,000. An additional 4d per lb duty would be imposed on sugar, yielding £7,000,000. The duty on cocoa, coffee, and chicory would be increased to 6d per lb, producing £2,000,000; on matches, 3s 6d Customs, and 3s 4½d excise on every 10,000 matches, and on mineral waters, 4d per gallon, yielding £2,000,000. He would propose to double the present duty on motor cars up to 18 horse-power, and treble on higher powered cars; motor cycles not exceeding 4 horse-power, £2 2s, and higher power cycles three-quarters of the duty on motor cars. The motor duties would realise £800,000. The excess profit tax would be increased to 60 per cent.

SITUATION SUMMED UP.

Summing up, Mr. M'Kenna calculated that by March, 1917, he would require to meet in an ordinary year £338,000,000. Our permanent revenue was £423,000,000, leaving a surplus after another year of war of £85,000,000. When peace came they would have a margin for the remission of taxation. Civic courage was as important as military courage. We ought to justly claim that we would not be found wanting in these great virtues.

Mr. M'Kenna explained the reason the yield from the excess profits tax was so small. It was due to delay in passing the Finance Bill. He added that the manner in which British credit had withstood the immense claims upon it was truly wonderful to those unfamiliar with our financial methods and resources. An examination showed that we had not borrowed a pound without providing for new taxation to cover the interest and provide a liberal sinking fund.

THE DISCUSSION.

Mr. William O'Brien (Nationalist) protested against Ireland's inclusion in the Budget, as it could not bear the burdens of indefensible taxation.

Mr. J. N. Barnes (Labour) thought the new duties would press severely on the poorer classes, especially the tax on railway tickets.

PROPOSALS PASSED.

The House of Commons passed resolutions authorising the collection of the new duties, taxes, and all Mr. K'Kenna's proposals.

The necessary men and machinery, said Mr. McKenna, cannot be found at present to give effect to the fiscal proposals discriminating against our enemies.

PRESS COMMENT.

Newspapers in their comments dwell on the significance of raising £300,000,000 yearly extra taxation. The chief criticism is with regard to the tax on railway tickets. It is pointed out that short journeys are not taxed. Only fares over 6d for a single journey pay one penny, then one penny for every extra shilling. Many, however, consider that the tax is a serious mistake, as there is little joyriding nowadays. Most people travel from necessity like they pay rent. In connection with the amusement tax it is stated that at least ten million people visit picture palaces weekly. Penny matinees for children in the working-class districts are taxed 50 per cent. It is expected that the Government will issue a stamp which the public will purchase with the ticket.

General approval is expressed at Mr. M'Kenna's announcement that the excess profits tax will be extended to the sales of profit-producing assets, thus securing to the Exchequer a share of the profit from the sales of steamships. Some vessels which cost £30,000 are now selling for £200,000.

The tariff reform newspapers regret that the Government is neglecting its opportunity of imposing a protective tariff, with preference to the dominions and the Allies.

TAXATION RESULTS.

A White Paper reveals that the excess profits tax yielded £140,000 against the estimated yield of £6,000,000. Total taxation for the year 1915-16 yielded £290,088,000, which is £24,414,000 over the estimate it would bring for the year. The sum of £160,428,000 was repaid. Bank of England and Exchequer bonds amounting to £16,385,000 being redeemed. In the Estimates for the current year the Civil Service shows reductions to the amount of £3,524,000.

NAVAL FIGHT.

IN THE CATTEGAT.

GERMAN DESTROYER DAMAGED.

COPENHAGEN PRESS REPORT.

LONDON, April 5.

Copenhagen newspapers report a naval engagement in the Cattegat. A cannonade was heard. A German torpedo-destroyer, which was badly damaged, was towed later past Helsingborg.

SMELTERS' CORPORATION

The "Financial Times" says the statement that the Burma Corporation will probably join the spelter combine is unfounded. It is unlikely that the combine will offer satisfactory terms for the treatment of the corporation's concentrates in Australia.

The newspaper adds: It is doubtful if Australian labour and other conditions favour the production of zinc on a large scale. The Imperial Government must do more to enable the United Kingdom to compete with Germany. Meanwhile the Australian authorities must not allow the industry to be exploited by the labour interests under cover of banishing German influence.

The British Broken Hill Company denies the statement attributed to the Acting Attorney-General of the Commonwealth (Mr. Mahon), implying that it has joined the Smelters' Corporation. The company points out that its hands are tied until the Imperial Government cancels the company's German contracts.

SEARCHING MAILS.

UNITED STATES PROTEST.

WASHINGTON, April 4.

The Allies have replied to the United States' protest against searching the mails, pointing out that no treaty rights nor international laws have been violated. The Allies intend to continue searching mails for contraband, which is constantly being despatched to Germany from America.

WOMEN WORKERS.

REPLACING THE MEN.

In reply to questions in the House of Commons to-night Dr. C. Addison (Parliamentary Secretary for Munitions) stated that 115,000 women were employed in munition factories.

Mr. W. Long (President of the Local Government Board) estimated that 275,000 women had replaced men in industrial occupations.

WAR NOTES.

A DEARTH OF NEWS.

No news of any importance from the main theatres of the war had come to hand up till a late hour last night. The Germans continued their attacks in the Douaumont sector of the Verdun front, and the French delivered further counter-attacks near the Caillette Wood, just north of the village of Vaux. The German assaults were apparently brought to a standstill by the artillery, machine-gun, and rifle fire of the defence; and the French claim to have made "further progress" at the wood. So we may take it that matters are really much as they were. The German communique is a little late, and gives the enemy's version of events that have already figured in the cables. On the eastern front, the floods are still checking any big military operations in the north, and as the waters are reported to be rising yet, no notable developments may be expected in this region for some little time. In Galicia the Russians have repulsed "an enemy offensive" westward of Tarnopol; but so far there is nothing to lead us to believe that this offensive is more than a local operation aimed at securing some desired tactical position in view of bigger things to come. On the naval side there comes a report from Copenhagen that there has been a naval engagement in the Cattegat and that a battered German destroyer has been towed homewards. The Cattegat is the eastern or inner arm of the angular entrance to the Baltic, and if fighting has occurred in there it will have been a matter of light craft. Some time ago, it will be remembered, a British flotilla escorted several submarines up the Skagerack and well down into the Cattegat, ere they left the underwater craft to continue their journey to the Baltic; and there was a slight "brush" between German and British vessels reported at the time. Possibly something of the same kind has again taken place.

MESOPOTAMIA CAMPAIGN.

The despatch of General Nixon, formerly in command in Mesopotamia, throws no new light on that so far unfortunate little campaign. As far as the cabled summary is concerned, it is absolutely silent upon the one phase about which we would welcome some information—that is, how the advance on Baghdad came to be undertaken when it was, and why such a slender column was entrusted with the work. In the meantime the position as it stands to-day seems to be a continuation of the deadlock that has existed for so long on the Tigris below Kut-el-Amara. Notwithstanding that a couple of weeks ago it was authoritatively announced that reinforcements were reaching General Aylmer, he is apparently still unable to move forward to the relief of General Townshend. He is certainly faced with a formidable proposition; for the Turkish army lying between him and Kut-el-Amara occupies a remarkably strong defensive position on both sides of the Tigris, and is snugly ensconced in a fine system of excellently-constructed trenches. So strongly placed is it that to take it by frontal attacks would represent a terribly costly business; yet, according to Mr. Edmund Candler, the correspondent with the British force, there are three circumstances which render flanking movements exceedingly difficult. The first is the absence of drinking water "inland" from the river, a very material disadvantage from our point of view in a country like Mesopotamia. The second is the presence in many place of impassable, swampy ground, extending to within a mile or two of the Tigris. The third is the uniform flatness of the terrain, and the consequent entire absence of natural cover. "Here," says Mr. Candler, "there are no protective hedges, villages, or banks. Instead of a quick, bloody rush, measured by seconds, over the distance of a hurdle race, our infantry come under rifle fire at 2000 yards, and have no communication trenches to curtail the zone of fire." However, notwithstanding the difficulties of the campaign, it is to be hoped that the reinforcements which are doubtless being still drafted up to the front will shortly give General Aylmer sufficient strength to enable him to make a forward move. For the moment it is not so much the defeat of the Turks that is desired as the relief of General Townshend and his little garrison at Kut-el-Amara. They have been besieged since December 3 in a place that was not a big supply depot; and as week after week now goes by without succour reaching them anxiety naturally increases as to their stocks of food and munitions. British prestige undeniably suffered over the retreat from Bagdad; it would suffer more if we were unable to relieve Kut-el-Amara.

FEELING IN GERMANY.

A neutral publicist of wide experience has contributed some noteworthy articles to the "Times" on things as he found them in Germany whither he has just been on an extended visit—the second since the beginning of the war. He notes a marked change in the people, and he quotes German publicists, politicians, and workers in corroboration of his view that symptoms of depression are clearly obvious. His concluding remarks are interesting:—"I should like to supplement the facts I have been able to gather by a few personal impressions. The deterioration of the moral of the German people is a signal fact. Obvious nearly all over the Fatherland, it is most marked in the South, where people are less police-ridden, but where the supply of necessities is not so well organised as in Prussia. Again the deterioration has not affected a single class or a certain stratum of the population, but has, although for different reasons, permeated the whole nation. The economically weak have been influenced by actual want of the most indispensable necessities, while the well-to-do classes dread a future the possibilities of which they have no means of gauging. This is one of the reasons why successes on the battlefields are no longer sources of enthusiasm. Nor do the easy chances of making money give the many nouveaux riches—a class that grows amazingly, and that is going to make Berlin more hopelessly vulgar than it ever was—any real satisfaction. Occupied territory is not an asset of the future, and who knows what the riches of to-day will be worth to-morrow? This sceptical turn of mind, which to me seemed rather a new and quite unnatural feature of German psychology, is not confined to the intellectual classes. It has become a characteristic of the nation. To-day it is typical of the Prussian as well as of the Bavarian. You are no longer told enthusiastic stories of national heroes. You may stay in Berlin for weeks without once hearing the name of Hindenburg. That huge, ugly block of timber which is supposed to represent that Prussian hero offers no further temptation to the nail-driving worshippers, though it is still more than half uncovered by golden, silver, or iron nails. The casual observer would tell you that the cafes, theatres, bars, and restaurants are still overflowing with noisy crowds, who are rather encouraged by the authorities to amuse themselves as well as they can. But it is a feeling which a German acquaintance of mine characterised as "Die Flucht vor dem Alleinsein"—the yearning for company. It is a very unsafe business to prophesy, and I should not venture to predict the exact number of months for which the German people will be able to bear the exhausting burden of the present depression. One thing, however, I have no hesitation in saying: The German people will be more thankful and less than human if they can stand this ever-increasing pressure for another year.

BREAKING CAMP.

The following members of the Australian Imperial Forces were tried by court-martial and sentenced as follows for breaking camp:—

Private Edgar Arnold Sherman, C Company, 4th Battalion, seven days' detention.

Private Martin Coffey, B Company, 3rd Battalion, seven days' detention.

Private Alex. John Anderson, C Company, 3rd Battalion, 30 days' hard labour, and to be discharged with ignominy.

Private Philip Gorbach, D Company, 4th Battalion, imprisonment for 90 days, with hard labour, and to be discharged with ignominy.

LATE WAR NEWS.

WESTERN FRONT.

ENEMY LOSSES.

BRUTAL AND FUTILE TACTICS.

PARIS, April 5.

A semi-official message, describing the attack preceding the flight of the German remnant to Cauffour Wood, states that the enemy object was to turn our positions on Douaumont Plateau. The majority of the attackers were annihilated before reaching our lines.

It is noteworthy that troops of inferior quality advanced shoulder to shoulder in the foremost ranks and were sacrificed to facilitate the advance of the second masses, which were composed of better fighters.

These brutal and futile tactics show the disregard of human material, and are in contrast to the French methods of sparing their men.

The enemy's losses were never so terrible as during the recent repulses at Avocourt, Douaumont, and Vaux.

GENERAL IVANOFF'S SUCCESSOR.

LONDON, April 5.

Experts point out that General Ivanoff (who has retired from the command of the Russian forces in the south-west) is a great artillerist mathematician. His plans left nothing to chance. General Riousiloff, of the cavalry, succeeds him.

RECRUITING.

One hundred and three men offered their services at Victoria Barracks yesterday. Of these 77 were accepted.

For the third day this week there was a good muster of recruits at the enrolling office, Victoria Barracks. One of the first men to offer his services was a veteran of the Indian army. This applicant, though only 44 years of age, looked older, but produced his discharge to show that he was what he set out. He had fought through the Tirah campaign with the 9th Bengal Lancers, under General Sir Bindon Blood, and was proud of the fact, and anxious once more to serve the Empire. His application was referred to headquarters for ratification.

Another useful recruit was a man just on the age limit, who described himself as an interpreter from the People's Palace. He informed the enrolling officer that he had spent many years in Lyons, France, and Milan, Italy, where he learnt to speak and write French and Italian fluently, and could also speak and translate German as well, of course, as English. He was an Englishman born and made a most acceptable addition to the forces.

These two recruits were followed by a carpenter, a couple of men from the State Railways' Department, a horse trainer, a blacksmith's striker, a carrier, a metal polisher, a harness maker, and another grazier, who, like the grazier on Tuesday, set out on his card that he had no wish to go back to the land. There was also a railway porter, a cycle mechanic, several labourers, and a number of clerks.

Those who wish to communicate with officers or men of the 9th Infantry Brigade, A.I.F., should address correspondence to Hamilton, via Newcastle.

Major H. St. J. Sweetland, R.A.F.A., has been appointed camp staff officer at the Warren, Marrickville.

Captain F. Smith, A. and I. Staff, has been appointed camp adjutant at Liverpool camp.

Captain A. L. K. Cooper has been appointed assistant adjutant and staff officer for returned soldiers at Liverpool.

The following recruits left Forbes on Monday for Bathurst camp:—Ptes. Frank H. Kite, Frederick Allison, Arthur Allison, James Anderson, Arthur Anderson, Oscar Smith, William Hill, Bernard O'Reilly, Charles Jones, and William Collits. Every one of them is from the land. A large gathering of citizens bade them farewell.

Private J. Lang, who is shortly to leave for the front, was farewelled by the residents of Lisburn and presented with a wristlet watch and a money belt.

A "dry" canteen is now in operation at the Dubbo camp, and is greatly valued by the men. A benefit gave entertainment in aid of the Camp Comforts' Fund raised £42.

A Soldiers' Relief Association has been former at Bumberry, near Manildra, having for its object the assistance of returned soldiers. A movement is also on foot in Molong to form a Returned Soldiers' Presentation Fund.

The order of precedence for parades of the Returned Soldiers' Association as laid down by the State Commandant, General Ramsay Scott, is as follows:—Light Horse, Artillery, Engineers, N. and M. Forces, 1st Brigade, 12th Battalion, 5th Brigade, A.S.C., A.M.C., and other units.

Mr. Alan C. M'Donald, who has enlisted, was presented by the employees of Enoch Taylor and Co. with a wristlet watch, bullet-proof wallet, set of pipes and tobacco, fountain pen, and money belt.

Signaller Leslie Bayliss, of Oakey Park, who spent 17 weeks on Gallipoli, was accorded a public welcome home. He was invalided home owing owing to rheumatism brought on by continuous work in muddy trenches.

The Australian power-house staff of Portland cement works presented Private Roy Mathews with a set of military brushes, safety razor, and pocket-book.

The Wentworth Falls Recruiting Association presented Private P. Bye with a money belt and other useful presents.

Privates Cohen, Baker, and Perdriau received wristlet watches and money belts from members of the Hartley Rugby League. From 100 to 150 members of the league have enlisted.

Major R. C. Dawson, of Lindfield, who was recently invalided home, was on Tuesday night welcomed by the Lindfield Chess and Whist Club. Major Dawson, who left with 1st Battalion, related many interesting and thrilling incidents of the landing, where he received a shrapnel wound.

At the quarterly meeting of the Penrith Order of Druids an honour board, containing the names of 14 members who have enlisted from the local branch, was unveiled by the Grand President (Bro. Coulston). The Grand Secretary (Bro. R. A. Barry) was also present at the meeting.

It is announced that the medical examination of those who signified their willingness to enlist will be held at Five Dock School of Arts on Tuesday next, from 7.30 to 9 p.m.

Mr. W. H. Parkinson, of Paddington, who was for some years on the staff of the Liberal organisation, has been gazetted as lieutenant in the infantry, and is now on final leave.

LAST WEEK'S FIGURES.

LARGE FALLING OFF.

Following is the official statement of recruiting, city and country, for the week ended last Saturday, supplied to the Premier by the military authorities:—

	Volunteered.		Accepted.
Sydney	661	..	457
Newcastle	38	..	18
Armidale	31	..	23
Narrabri	72	..	46
Dubbo	25	..	19
Cootamundra	111	..	96
Bathurst	41	..	32
West Maitland	50	..	46
Goulburn	45	..	42
	1077	..	779

The previous week's figures were:—Volunteered, 1235; accepted, 999.

OTHER STATES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Only 94 recruits were obtained to-day, the number of volunteers being 124.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

In Queensland to-day 74 men enlisted, and 61 were accepted.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day 55 men volunteered at Adelaide, and 25 were accepted.

DUBBO CAMP ADDRESS.

The military authorities notify that the address of the Dubbo camp, A.I.F., for those who wish to write to officers or men there, is c.o. T.P.O., No. 2 West Dubbo.

CITY MURDER.

CAFE-KEEPER STRANGLED.

PREMISES ROBBED.

A mysterious murder, reminiscent in some ways of the Trevaskis tragedy of November, 1911, was perpetrated in a restaurant and lodging-house in George-street early yesterday morning, a Greek named George Pappageorgi being smashed about the head with some sharp instrument and strangled with a piece of window cord. At the same time the premises were robbed.

The scene of the murder is the Allies' Cafe, 635 George-street, Haymarket, which the deceased had lately been managing for the proprietor, George Angledes, a fellow-countryman. The building consists of three floors—the top ones are divided off into bedrooms, while the lower one is partitioned off into a dining-room and a kitchen.

Shortly after midnight of Tuesday deceased bade one of his countrymen "Good-night" prior to closing the shop. About five minutes to 7 yesterday morning his body was found lying in the kitchen by two of his employees, Miss Algie and Miss Brown, in a pool of blood, the head gashed in three places, and with a piece of cord round the neck. They had knocked at the front door as usual about a quarter past 6 o'clock, but no one had answered their call. Eventually they found that the front door was unfastened, and they entered. Near deceased in the kitchen was the cash register, wrenched off from its position on the front counter, and the machine had been smashed open and the contents, if any, taken. Deceased's pockets were turned out, and a subsequent search revealed that his box in his bedroom on the second floor was also ransacked. The fact of deceased's bed not being slept in, and the appearance of his body, seemed to point to the murder as having taken place at about 1 a.m.

The body was conveyed by the Civil Ambulance to the Sydney Hospital, and later to the morgue. Here the Government medical officer, Dr. A. A. Palmer, made a post-mortem examination, at the conclusion of which he attributed the cause of death to asphyxia by strangulation.

The police theory is that deceased was struck down by some sharp instrument—it could have been a knife or a cleaver—and then the fatal noose was put round his neck and tightened. It is alleged that two men lodged on the premises on Tuesday, but there was no trace of them when the police arrived the next morning. Every effort is being made to get into touch with them, though up to the present no trace of them has been discovered.

Deceased was about 50 years of age, and was of a sturdy, well-set-up build. Until a little time back he was proprietor of the Paris Cafe, a few doors away from the scene of his death, but this venture failing, he became manager for the Allies' Cafe about a month ago.

TRADES UNIONS.

AMENDING BILL DROPPED.

CAUCUS DECISION.

The matters in the Trade Union (Amendment) Act in dispute between Ministerial members in the Legislative Assembly on Tuesday evening and the Government were debated at a caucus meeting yesterday morning.

The stumbling block was the negativing by the Legislative Council of clause 7 of the bill, which gave additional powers to unions. This provided that the money and property of a union could be used for any lawful purpose, provided a majority of members so decided. It also provided that a union might publish and maintain a newspaper, and subscribe to the maintenance of a member of Parliament, or to the funds of a political party. Power was also conferred by the clause for a union to apply to any court for an order directing the payment by any member of any fine, levy, or penalty, call, or subscription.

The debate on Tuesday found the Minister in charge of the bill and the Ministerial party in apparently complete conflict over the question of how far the Council's amendments should be agreed to. At yesterday's caucus no agreement could be reached, and it was decided that the bill should be dropped as far as this session is concerned.

PREMIER'S STATEMENT.

Last night the Premier stated that at the caucus meeting explanations were given and accepted on both sides as to the misunderstanding which had occurred between Ministers and their followers the previous night. It was resolved to allow the measure to stand over till the next session, and give Mr. Estell an opportunity of considering in the meantime whether he might not withdraw the bill in toto and redraft it upon fresh lines.

POLAR EXPEDITION.

PLENTY OF FOOD.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.

Lieut. Stenhouse, commander of the Aurora, requests that special assurances should be made to the relatives of the southern party regarding the sufficiency of food. More than sufficient provisions, he states, were left at Hut Point to keep the party for two months.

NAVIGATION OFFICE REPORT.

Mr. Hoyle, Assistant State Minister for Navigation, stated in the Assembly last night that he had received a report from the Secretary of the Navigation Department regarding the Aurora:—

"It is obvious," the report stated, "that a vessel cannot reach the explorers left behind until winter is past, and it has been stated that it will be December at the earliest before they can be reached. As the Shackleton expedition was equipped in England, and set out from a British port, the Home Government may consider it their duty to send out a relief ship." The report recommends that the New South Wales Government should confer with the New Zealand Government, and request information as to the steps they propose taking in the direction of rendering assistance to the explorers left in the Polar regions.

ECONOMY.

POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC SERVICES.

MR. WEBSTER'S APPEAL.

The Postmaster-General, Mr. Webster, has issued the following appeal:—

"To municipal and shire councils, progress and improvement associations, kindred bodies, and the public generally of Australia.

"I respectfully ask that during the continuance of this costly war you should curtail your demands for increased postal, telegraphic, and telephonic facilities. Judging by the growth of such demands, we might be abiding in peace and prosperity, whereas none can say what the future has in store. Economy at times means sacrifice, and I urge that the time has come when some little sacrifice should be made in demands for extra facilities. To expect similar concessions as in times of peace is unreasonable, if not unpatriotic, and I feel that this reminder will prove that the people can and will rise to the occasion."

(Sgd.) WILLIAM WEBSTER.

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WHEAT AND FLOUR.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

In reference to the Commonwealth's request to use Queensland's machinery for the control of the prices of flour and bread, a reply has been sent, pointing out that as last season's wheat crop in Queensland had been a complete failure all the wheat and flour used here had to be imported. The opinion was expressed that it would be quite unfair to expect millers and bakers to dispose of their produce here at the same price as Sydney and Melbourne without any consideration of freights and other costs of transportation from the south to Queensland.

PETROL.

ALLEGED CORRUPT PROPOSAL.

ROYAL COMMISSION.

MR. HALL'S EVIDENCE.

Mr. Justice Pring opened the sittings of the Royal Commission, with which he has been charged to inquire into certain allegations of corruption in connection with the proposed Government monopoly of petrol supplies, in the No. 1 Jury Court yesterday.

All the parties who have been mentioned in the Parliamentary statements on this matter up to date were represented by counsel. Mr. Shand, K.C., and Mr. Alex Thomson, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, appeared to assist the Commissioner in adducing the facts; Mr. Ralston, K.C., and Mr. Broomfield, instructed by Messrs. John Williamson and Sons, for the Minister for Education and late Minister for Works, Mr. Griffith; Mr. Knox, K.C., and Mr. Harry Stephen, instructed by Mr. Louis Waxman, of Melbourne, for the British Imperial Oil Company; Mr. Lamb, K.C., and Mr. Weigall, instructed by Mr. H. D. Braund, for Mr. J. B. Reed, superintendent of stores, Public Works Department; Mr. Boyce and Mr. Lloyd, instructed by Messrs. Taylor and Greenwell, for Mr. Henry Alfred Morgan.

The scope of the inquiry with which his Honor is charged was set out in the Royal Commission in the following terms:—

"The negotiations, arrangements, or proposals made, instituted, or proposed on behalf of the Government of New South Wales for the acquisition of the works, plant, and business of the British Imperial Oil Company, Ltd., and more particularly the proposals made by one Henry Alfred Morgan as to the amount or price or consideration to be fixed for the purchase of such business, and as to the amount or price or consideration to be paid for future supplies of oil, spirit, petrol, and the like.

"In connection with the aforesaid matter, whether the demands or requests of the said Henry Alfred Morgan were prompted or instigated, authorised, or endorsed by any Minister of the Crown or person.

"And, in so far as you may deem it essential, to inquire generally into the said matters, having regard to any public interest involved, and the conduct of any official or person connected therewith."

His Honor ordered that the evidence should be taken in shorthand, and that all of the parties should be supplied with copies of the transcript.

The Attorney-General, Mr. Hall, was the only witness examined yesterday, the balance of the sitting being taken up with Mr. Shand's opening statement of the facts, and the reading and tendering of exhibits of volumin

question as to which was the better scheme was then referred for inquiry to Mr. Reed, representing Mr. Griffith—who, although he had become Minister of Education, and was not now Minister of Public Works, still continued to take an interest in the petrol question—and Mr. Williams, superintendent of explosives in Mr. Hoyle's department.

It appeared that on December 6 Mr. Reed again asked the Director-General of his department for leave to inquire into the petrol industry; on December 7, Messrs. Fraser and Best were asked to renew their negotiations with the American people for the supply of petrol, but apparently there was no response; and then the next matter that arose had an intimate connection with the present inquiry.

MR. MORGAN'S ENTRANCE.

On December 20, a letter was sent by Mr. Reed to Mr. Morgan, asking Mr. Morgan to get into touch with the British Imperial Oil Company, Ltd., with reference to the purchase of the company's installation. Mr. Morgan's instructions, according to the records, did not extend beyond that. The Imperial Company was carrying on business as a distributing agency, importing the oil in bulk, manufacturing tins and cases, and distributing. It had installations in all the Australian States. On December 22, Mr. Reed reported to Mr. Griffith that Mr. Morgan had been instructed to open negotiations for the purchase of the company's New South Wales installation. Apparently, Mr. Griffith had verbally instructed Mr. Reed to give Mr. Morgan the instructions he received. So far as was known, no other member of the Government had any knowledge that these inquiries had been set afoot.

On December 22, continued counsel, Mr. Black, the New South Wales manager of the Imperial Oil Company, was waited upon by Mr. Morgan, who suggested the purchase of the company's New South Wales business, and said that if the company would not sell the Government would put up an installation of its own, and, having a monopoly, the company would have to go out of business. Mr. Black being somewhat doubtful as to whether the Government was really in earnest in this matter, Mr. Morgan recounted to him the various negotiations that had taken place. Mr. Black pointed to a photograph of the company's works. "The Government surely would never deprive us of this property," he said. "It cost between £30,000 and £50,000."

When they began to discuss the question of price, Mr. Morgan represented to Mr. Black that, as he arranged for the purchase of the installation, it would be necessary to add £10,000 or £15,000 for the Minister, and this would have to be provided for. He said that he himself was not getting any payment in this matter, and that provision would be made for at least £2000 for himself. Mr. Morgan also said that, if the Government bought the installation, a contract would have to be made for supplies, and the Imperial Company might have a chance. He said that negotiations were already proceeding with the Anglo-Mexican Company for a contract, and he did not know what stage they had reached. Mr. Morgan said, however, that Mr. Black could rest assured that the company that "sprung the highest" in this conflict commission would get the supply contract. He said that this would have to be at least 1d per gallon on any contract entered into, and the supply required would be about 6,000,000 gallons a year.

THE MINISTER'S AUTHORITY.

Mr. Black then communicated with Mr. Wagstaff, the company's general manager, in Melbourne. He left here on December 22, telling Mr. Wagstaff what had taken place, and reMr. Wagstaff what had taken place, and returned on the 24th. He told Morgan that he had decided to notify his board in London, but before doing so he must be officially informed by the Minister in regard to the negotiations. On the 30th Wagstaff telegraphed to Black, insisting on any authorisation which was acted upon being signed by the Minister. A letter was received from the Minister authorising Morgan to act as his agent in regard to installation. Though signed by the Minister, the phraseology of the letter appeared to be Reed's. A meeting in Melbourne of Morgan, Reed, Black, and Wagstaff was then arranged. At that meeting or conference the policy of the Government in regard to the nationalisation of petrol was discussed.

Wagstaff, went on Mr. Shand, asked Morgan if there was any commission to be paid in connection with the purchase of oil. Morgan replied: "One per cent. for brokerage." On January 7 Wagstaff met Morgan without Reed or Black. The question of commissions was again discussed. Wagstaff asked Morgan for an estimate of what might have to be paid. Morgan said that he wanted his brokerage, and, in addition, a sum which was spoken of as "lost money." The estimate for this part of the commission was 2½ per cent., or, at the outside, 3 per cent. Wagstaff invited Morgan to dinner on the evening of January 7. On being called aside and asked to explain the 2½ per cent., Morgan said it would be on supplies and installation. Morgan added that any question of brokerage would have to be put before the Government and that he would probably be appointed to receive it. Wagstaff, in reply, told Morgan that he (Wagstaff) would have to put the whole matter before the London board. Morgan suggested cabling to the board, and Wagstaff, after explaining that the negotiations were too lengthy to be sent by cable, said he would write and arrange to have the reply sent by cable. Wagstaff dictated and signed the letter which was sent to the London board.

SEAL OF CONFIDENCE REMOVED.

Having had only formal authorisation from the Minister (counsel proceeded) to treat with Morgan in regard to installation, Wagstaff wrote to Mr. Griffith asking for Morgan's authorisation in respect of oil supplies. On January 12 a letter signed by Mr. Griffith was received authorising Morgan to act on his behalf through Reed in the matter of supplies. He (counsel) understood that the letter of authorisation was drafted by Reed and submitted to the Minister for signature. Subsequently it was agreed that the official communications were to be regarded as confidential. The cable which Wagstaff received from his London board on February 23 was of a character which removed the seal of confidence and left the oil company at liberty to reveal the negotiations and to make them public if the manager in Australia so desired. Wagstaff did not disclose the contents of the cablegram from London, as he was anxious to get confirmation as to Reed's knowledge of Morgan's proposals in the event of those proposals being repudiated by Reed. Ultimately it was arranged by Wagstaff that Reed and Morgan should see him in Melbourne.

"TO SOFTEN OPPOSITION."

That meeting took place on February 28. In accordance with instructions, Mr. Black was also present. After the crude oil proposition had been gone into, the question of commission and "lost" money was introduced. Reed said: "This does not interest me, and I propose to retire." Reed was asked to remain, and the whole question was then gone into. It was explained by Morgan that proposals of the kind had to go through many hands. Some one might have to be placated, and opposition in Parliament might be softened by suitable provision. Wagstaff said he desired to be more fully informed. On March 2 Wagstaff sent registered letters to Griffith, Reed, and Morgan, conveying the contents of the cable message which had been received from London. Before that step was taken Wagstaff and Black had compared notes of the interview on meeting in Melbourne on February 28. What was said on that occasion by Morgan and Reed was embodied in a typewritten document and Wagstaff and Black's recollection of what had been said in regard to commission. Mr. Griffith acknowledged the receipt of the letter on March 7 without comment. It was a formal acknowledgment.

"As far as we were aware," said Mr. Shand, "the breaking off of the negotiations and the threat to publish the proposals was not communicated to the Cabinet as a body, or to any member of the Cabinet, other than Mr. Griffith."

Proceeding, Mr. Shand said that at the time the letters were sent there was a strike in Sydney about the handling of oil, and vessels were hung up. Mr. Waxman, a Melbourne solicitor, who was acting for the Vacuum Oil Company, was requested to come to Sydney by the British Imperial Oil Co., to see if anything could be done to terminate the strike. Returning to Melbourne Mr. Waxman met the State Attorney-General on the train. In conversation with Mr. Hall, something was said about the impression which had got about that the State Government intended engineering the strike, so as to invest in oil companies, and advance the Government scheme for the nationalisation of the industry. Mr. Hall expressed surprise, and was then told that there was documentary evidence that some people were financially interested in bringing the nationalisation about. Mr. Waxman then told Mr. Hall that he (Mr. Waxman) had in his pocket a copy of the letter which Wagstaff had written to the London Board of the British Imperial Oil Company. Mr. Waxman showed the letter to Mr. Hall.

Mr. Hall, counsel concluded, stated at once that the matter could not rest there, and returned at once to Sydney to acquaint the Premier of what he had heard. This was followed by the announcement of the Commission and the appointment of the Commissioners.

MR. McINTOSH'S REPORT.

Mr. Shand then read a sheaf of letters and reports, from which the statements made in his opening had been gathered. Included in these was a reply made by Mr. Reed to a report made by Mr. H. D. McIntosh, the question of the nationalisation of petrol on July 17, 1914. Mr. Reed stated that this report was of no value, inasmuch as all it contained had been previously obtained by him (Reed) locally. Another document set out that the Government had agreed, late last year, to place £250 to Reed's credit in the bank to be drawn upon by Reed to defray the expenses of the inquiries he was making.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL EXAMINED.

David Robert Hall, Attorney-General, stated that the question of a State petrol monopoly was mentioned first to the Cabinet by Mr. Griffith early in 1914. Mr. Griffith was deputed to make inquiries. On June ., 1915, the matter came definitely before the Cabinet, when the definite offer for the supply of petrol and crude oils was brought on as a matter of urgency, pointing out that the option would expire the next day. The estimates put forward by Mr. Griffith were disputed by other Ministers. The matter came up again in December, at which meeting of the Cabinet, Mr. Hoyle put forward a rival scheme, drafted by Mr. Gibson, of the National Oil Company. Cabinet then asked Messrs. Griffith and Hoyle to consider the two schemes, and bring up a further report. That was the last the Cabinet heard of the matter. "I do not know anything about the negotiations with the British Imperial Company," said Mr. Hall, "I never heard their name mentioned in connection with the scheme."

STRANGE RUMOURS.

Proceeding, Mr. Hall said that he met Mr. Waxman, solicitor for the British Imperial Oil Company, in connection with an endeavour to effect a settlement of a strike on the wharfs, in which oil belonging to the Imperial Company was affected. Later, on March 13, he and Mr. Waxman travelled together to Melbourne, and, in the course of conversation, some question arose about the Government's complicity in the strike.

"I said," continued the witness, "that, having seen the difficulties with which the oil companies had to contend, I was losing my enthusiasm for the proposal to nationalise the industry."

Mr. Waxman said, "Oh, are you going on with that?"

"I said that we were.

"Mr. Waxman said that there were strange reports about this strike; that it had been organised by the Government.

"I asked why the Government should organise the strike.

"Mr. Waxman said: 'To injure the company and advance the nationalisation proposal, in which rumour says, certain persons connected with the Government have an interest.'

"I said that in these days one should not take any notice of such rumours.

"Mr. Waxman said that this was more than a rumour, and that he had seen original documents which showed that there had been corruption in this matter.

"I said that if I could see these documents I would certainly take action in regard to them. Mr. Waxman said: 'I have them here. They have been burning a hole in my pocket all the morning.'

"Then," continued Mr. Hall, "Mr. Waxman produced a letter, dated December 24, from Mr. Reed, appointing Mr Morgan to act as his agent in negotiations with the Imperial Company; a telegram, dated December 30, from Mr. Wagstaff to Mr. Black, declining to recognise the appointment made by an official, and saying that the appointment must be made by the Minister; a letter, dated December 31, from Mr. Griffith, appointing Mr Morgan; and an extract from a private and confidential letter, dated January 12, written by Mr. Wagstaff to his directors in England, giving an account of the proposals made to him by Mr. Morgan.

"Mr. Waxman told me also that a cablegram had been received from the directors of the British imperial Oil Company refusing the proposal, and stating that they must decline to treat the negotiations as private and confidential, and that they claimed the right to publish the correspondence whenever they chose.

"I asked Mr. Waxman to hold back any publication for a few days, and allow the Government to take prompt action in the matter. I returned to Sydney on March 15, communicated with Mr. Holman, and made an appointment with him to see Mr. Waxman. On March 17 this interview took place. The papers were shown to Mr. Holman, together with a letter from Mr. Wagstaff, withdrawing the seal of confidence from the negotiations, and a report, signed by Mr. Wagstaff and Mr. Black, of an interview with Mr. Morgan, which had taken place on February 28. Mr. Cann was called in, and joined us in consultation. On the following Monday Mr. Holman, Mr. Cann, Mr. Davis, director of works, and myself, went to Mr. Cann's office, and questioned Mr. Reed about the whole of the negotiations. Mr. Reed submitted a written statement next day."

PREMIER INTERVENES.

Continuing his evidence after the luncheon adjournment, Mr. Hall stated he believed the original statement, setting out a record of the interview in Melbourne was in the possession of the Premier. Witness would see that it was produced. On the following day, Tuesday, Mr. Holman and witness saw Mr. Black, Sydney manager of the British-Imperial Company, and it was decided to telegraph to Mr. Wagstaff to come to Sydney for the purpose of a further interview.

On the Sunday night Mr. Wagstaff met witness and Mr. Holman at witness's house. A conference took place. Up to that time nothing had been said to Mr. Griffith. Later Mr. Holman and Mr. Cann interviewed Mr. Griffith, and on the 28th Mr. Holman made a statement in the House.

Mr. Waxman's intimation on the train was the first he had heard of the matter. That was on March 13. No member of the Cabinet knew anything of the details of the negotiations that were proceeding in regard to oil contracts.

To Mr. Ralston, Mr Hall said he had concerned himself a good deal in regard to the scheme of the petrol monopoly; but as to the details, it was Mr. Griffith's business, and not his. He did not concern himself in the details. This undertaking was presented to the Cabinet first as a scheme which originated when Mr. Griffith was Minister of Public Works. Mr. Reed was at the time an official in the Works Department. He would probably know more than anybody about petrol than anyone else in the department. When Mr. Griffith became Minister for Public Instruction he still continued to take charge of the petrol proposition.

£32,000 A YEAR FOR 10 YEARS.

To Mr. Lamb: There was no secret about the Government's intentions of starting a petrol monopoly. It was known to members of the House. He assumed such a scheme would be opposed by private companies, and he realised that having the discussion with Mr. Waxman he was speaking to a representative of a company who would oppose any Government monopoly scheme. Witness considered it a dastardly suggestion that the Cabinet had instituted the strike in the handling of oil in order to assist the Government scheme. The correspondence Mr. Waxman showed him were copies. Witness was aware that Mr. Waxman's principals would doubtless be opposed to any scheme of petrol nationalisation. Witness subsequently saw Mr. Wagstaff at witness's house, and he enlarged on matters, and also showed witness a document setting out what was said to Mr. Black and Morgan were present. He understood that Mr. Wagstaff was desirous of another interview, and that it should be before another person. The idea of the second interview was, witness understood, that Mr. Wagstaff wished to have everything placed on evidence, and the other person present was Mr. Black. Mr. Wagstaff supplemented the information contained in the documents at the subsequent interview. Witness pressed Mr. Wagstaff, and he stated that the amount involved as secret commission would be about £32,000 a year for 10 years. Witness pressed Mr. Wagstaff closely as to whether he understood this money was to go to Mr. Griffith or other Ministers. Mr. Wagstaff replied that the impression left upon his mind was that all the Ministers were included. In addition, Mr. Wagstaff produced a copy of a letter he had written to a friend in Melbourne, which conveyed this impression. During the time these interviews with Mr. Wagstaff were proceeding, ordinary business letters had come to the Government department from the British Imperial Oil Company. Witness did not know of these at the time. The fact had come to his knowledge during the last few days. Mr. Wagstaff stated that he had desired to communicate direct with the Government in regard to these negotiations, but the reason this was not done was because Mr. Morgan had produced authority for all business to be negotiated through him. Witness said no report had come before the Cabinet of any proposals to be submitted by Mr. Wagstaff with the contents of correspondence with the London board.

To Mr. Ralston: Before any contract of this magnitude was settled, it would have to come before the Cabinet to be agreed to, and it would be strictly scrutinised.

"A GOOD GOVERNMENT JOB."

To Mr. Boyce: He did not know anything of Mr Morgan before this matter arose. Mr. Reed told witness that Mr. Morgan's expenses to Melbourne were paid out of a credit paid to cover the cost of these negotiations. There was no question of remuneration or payment to Mr. Morgan by the Government. Mr. Reed had mentioned that if the scheme came off he (Morgan) would expect a good Government job.

To Mr. Shand: Mr. Wagstaff told witness he was prepared to give the Government all information to investigate the matter. On what was disclosed, Mr. Holman and witness decided there was sufficient already before them to justify an inquiry. Mr. Griffith's name was mentioned in connection with an interview that was alleged to have taken place between Waxman, Reed, and Morgan, when discussing the payment of the proposed commission. Mr. Black may have been there. It was stated to witness that when the matter of the commission was mentioned at the interview, Mr. Reed withdrew, and he (Reed) stated that he did not concern himself with the financial side of the negotiations. The only business letter he knew the Government had received recently from the company was one in which it was asked that if the Government was doing anything in the matter of petrol purchases they would consider the company. This was a letter dated January 7.

The Commission then adjourned till 10 a.m. the next day.

STATE SESSION.

SUPERANNUATION BILL.

PUBLIC WORKS.

STATE BREAD MONOPOLY.

With the end of the session within measurable distance the sittings of both Houses are now being crowded with business. Both the Assembly and Council had a number of bills before them last night.

The Council dealt further with the Sunday Trading Bill and the Superannuation Bill. In the Superannuation Bill an amendment was inserted that it should come into force on July 1 next unless both Houses decide to the contrary.

In the Assembly the Bread Monopoly Bill came up for its third reading.

A number of public works proposals were considered.

WHEAT EXPORT AND CHARTERING.

The Minister for Agriculture, in replying to Mr. M. Abbott on the question of wheat export, said an offer of 4s 3d per bushel had been made to the Government for 20,000 tons of wheat for export to Peru. The central board had no knowledge that freights through outside shipping brokers had been diverted from Australia because all the chartering had to be done through two firms. The points in dispute between the handling firms and the New South Wales Government had now been arranged, and the agreements were being completed.

DEALING WITH STRIKERS.

Mr. Fitzpatrick asked if attention had been drawn to a statement attributed to the secretary of the Bakers Operatives' Association that he believed the Government was bringing pressure to bear on Judge Heydon to be more severe with strikers; and was there any truth in that?

Mr. Hall: It is ridiculously untrue.

GERMANS IN LANDS OFFICE.

Mr. Hoskins asked the Minister for Lands if it was with his authority that Detective Gallagher had been interrogating officers in the Lands Department in an endeavour to find out where members of the House had been obtaining information with regard to Germans employed by the Government in that department. Would the Minister give instructions that his officers should be protected from further humiliating experiences such as this.

Mr. Ashford said he had no knowledge of the matter. "I take it," he added, "this is one of those myths for which the hon. member is noted."

Later Mr. Hoskins asked if the Attorney-General could give information on the matter.

Mr. Hall replied that the answer was the same as that he had given to Mr. Fitzpatrick on the previous question—"It was ridiculously untrue."

ANZAC DAY FUNDS.

Dr. Arthur asked, in view of the misunderstanding that had arisen in connection with the Australia Day funds, whether the Premier could state what was the exact object of the collection to be taken up on Anzac Day? Was any money to be devoted to the assistance of dependents of the men who had laid down their lives?

Mr. Holman said he would make inquiries in the proper quarter, and submit a statement to the House.

RAILWAY SERVANTS IN ARMY.

Mr. Hoyle stated, in answer to Mr. Brunsdell, that the Railway Commissioners had laid it down that where a man enlisted who had been in the service six months or over the difference between his military and civilian pay was made up by the department. It was not correct that this rule had been altered.

RAILWAY GRATUITIES.

The Premier, answering Mr. Haynes, who asked whether he would grant an interview to certain railway servants on the question of long-delayed payments of gratuities, dating back as far as the time of Mr. Goodchap, said he would grant one in a few days.

CHURCH PROPERTY BILL.

St. Andrew's Church and School Property Bill was agreed to in the Legislative Council, and read a first time.

NATURALISED SUBJECTS FRANCHISE BILL.

Consideration was given to the Legislative Council's amendment in the Naturalised Subjects Franchise Bill.

The Premier said he proposed to ask the House to disagree with the amendment in clause 1. That clause provided for disfranchising subjects of enemy origin during the period of the war and for six months after, but the Council had made the disfranchisement perpetual. The primary anxiety in this matter was to run no risks while we were at war. If there were no war there would be no risk. Fifty years hence, if we were at war with Russia, and nobody would say that Russians to-day should be disfranchised.

The motion to disagree with the amendment was agreed to.

The Council's amendment, inserting new clause 2, providing that naturalised British subjects of enemy origin should be incapable of being elected to or sitting in either House of Parliament, the Municipal Council of Sydney, or any municipality or shire, or officiating as a justice of the peace, coroner, member of a licensing bench, of obtaining a license under the Liquor Act, or of being granted a renewal of an existing license, was agreed to, as were the remaining amendments made by the Council.

MOLONG-DUBBO RAILWAY.

The Minister for Public Works moved the expediency of constructing a railway line from Molong to Dubbo, as recommended by the Public Works Committee. The Railway Commissioners, said the Minister, had emphasised the urgency of this line, which would save a big expenditure in duplication on the Western line, in addition to the fact that it would be a new line, developing new country. The estimated cost, exclusive of land, would be £647,000. The length would be 75 miles 67 chains, and the extent of the land served would be 730,300 acres. If the line was not constructed duplication work costing £400,000 would have to be carried out, so as a new proposal the cost would be £1,047,000. The estimated revenue would be £15,000, and the line would start with the comparatively small loss of only £682 on the first year.

The motion was agreed to.

HUNTER DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY.

The Minister for Public Works moved the expediency of carrying out the proposed scheme to augment the Hunter District Water Supply, as recommended by the Public Works Committee. The estimated cost of the scheme was £1,049,000. At no period had the progress of the district been so rapid as within the past two or three years. With the prospect of large public works going on there at the present time—he referred to Walsh Island—and the growth of the large steelworks, the district had developed so that a supplementary scheme was necessary. Since the war the steel works had been developed in Australia, and without them railway construction might for the time being have had to stand still.

Mr. W. Brown said the supply pipe might be run into the river at the point where it was proposed to build the dam, and a supply of 8,000,000 gallons a day could be obtained without further expense.

The motion was agreed to.

YASS WATER SCHEME.

Mr. Cann moved the expediency of carrying out the Yass municipality water supply scheme. This was another instance where an increased water supply was needed in a growing district, which was subject to an intermittent rainfall. The cost would be £27,500, and the committee sanctioned the carrying out of the scheme subject to an agreement with the Railway Commissioners, who would be large consumers of the water. The Commissioners would ratify the agreement if the water was delivered in their service tanks. The principal item of expenditure would be the construction of a concrete dam on the Yass River. The estimated annual charges would be £2728, but this being on the basis of 4 per cent. interest, was an under-estimate. The revenue was estimated at £2775, so that there would be a small margin from the very start of the scheme, as any under-estimate of the interest would be met by a slight increase of the charges.

The motion was agreed to.

TARANA-OBERON RAILWAY.

Mr. Cann moved the expediency of carrying out the proposed line from Tarana to Oberon. The cost, he said, would be £141,702, the length of the line being 15 miles 77 chains 12 links.

The motion was agreed to.

CROOKWELL-WHEEO LINE.

Mr. Cann moved the expediency of carrying out the line between Crookwell and Wheeo, as recommended. This was an extension of the Goulburn-Crookwell railway, commencing 1721 miles from Sydney.

The motion was agreed to.

NEW PUBLIC WORKS BILL.

On the motion of Mr. Cann it was resolved that the House on its next sitting day consider in committee the expediency of bringing in bills to authorise the construction of railways from Henty to Billabong Creek, from Tarana to Oberon, and from Crookwell to Wheeo; also to authorise the construction of a dam on the Chichester River, in connection with the Hunter River water supply, also a scheme for the Yass water supply.

CITY AND SUBURBAN ELECTRIC RAILWAYS ACT.

Mr. Cann moved for leave to bring in a bill to amend the City and Suburban Electric Railways Act, 1915, and the Public Works Act, 1912. The object of the bill, he said, was to permit, in cases where only portion of a property was required for the construction of the lines, that it should not be necessary to take the whole. A similar provision existed in the City Railway Bill.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill brought in and read the first time.

MURRAY RIVER WATERS ACT AMENDMENT.

Mr. Cann moved for leave to bring in a bill to amend the River Murray Waters Act of 1915. Its object was to carry out an agreement made between the Commonwealth and the interested States that the contributions of the former toward the cost of the works should not exceed £1,000,000, and the Commonwealth refused to go on until this legislation was passed.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill introduced and read the first time.

BREAD MONOPOLY BILL.

Mr. Hall moved the third reading of the Bakeries Bill.

Mr. Wade said the bill was wrong in principle, purely experimental, and likely to lead the country into enormous expense. It proposed to offer compensation to a few favoured persons, but the bulk of the trade would be squeezed out through the superior power of State competition. The bigger bakeries in the metropolitan area would receive some compensation, and with the enormous areas they would control the Government bakeries would be able to kill all the smaller men by their superior strength, and drive them off the market.

Mr. Hall: The bill provides that if the Government resumes one bakery in an area it must take all.

Mr. Wade: Would the Government say whether it would operate in one area or not? It would really mean that it could take over all the bakeries in one area, but it could send its bread into other areas, and so kill out all the smaller bakeries there. There were many cases where bakers were being financed by millers, and in all probability the total liabilities of this kind in the metropolitan area amounted to £200,000. The Government would undermine, and finally destroy, the smaller bakeries, and larger losses would result from the inequality of the compensation. The millers would find their security gone, though the money had been legitimately advanced. There was also the vital effect of the wages paid. Bakers would be relieved of the excessive hours under the Shops Act, and without them railway construction might for the time being have had to stand still.

Mr. W. Brown said the supply pipe might be run into the river at the point where it was proposed to build the dam, and a supply of 8,000,000 gallons a day could be obtained without further expense.

The motion was agreed to.

YASS WATER SCHEME.

Mr. Cann moved the expediency of carrying out the Yass municipality water supply scheme. This was another instance where an increased water supply was needed in a growing district, which was subject to an intermittent rainfall. The cost would be £27,500, and the committee sanctioned the carrying out of the scheme subject to an agreement with the Railway Commissioners, who would be large consumers of the water. The Commissioners would ratify the agreement if the water was delivered in their service tanks. The principal item of expenditure would be the construction of a concrete dam on the Yass River. The estimated annual charges would be £2728, but this being on the basis of 4 per cent. interest, was an under-estimate. The revenue was estimated at £2775, so that there would be a small margin from the very start of the scheme, as any under-estimate of the interest would be met by a slight increase of the charges.

The motion was agreed to.

TARANA-OBERON RAILWAY.

Mr. Cann moved the expediency of carrying out the proposed line from Tarana to Oberon. The cost, he said, would be £141,702, the length of the line being 15 miles 77 chains 12 links.

The motion was agreed to.

CROOKWELL-WHEEO LINE.

Mr. Cann moved the expediency of carrying out the line between Crookwell and Wheeo, as recommended. This was an extension of the Goulburn-Crookwell railway, commencing 1721 miles from Sydney.

The motion was agreed to.

NEW PUBLIC WORKS BILL.

On the motion of Mr. Cann it was resolved that the House on its next sitting day consider in committee the expediency of bringing in bills to authorise the construction of railways from Henty to Billabong Creek, from Tarana to Oberon, and from Crookwell to Wheeo; also to authorise the construction of a dam on the bills for the construction of a dam on the

FOOD CENSUS.

FALLING OFF IN EXPORTS.

DECREASED STOCKS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In making the food census return for February, the Federal officer in charge states that the figures do not represent the total stocks of the Commonwealth. The census shows that on February 29 the beef stocks in cold storage comprised 4,022,000lb, or a decrease of nearly 500,000lb, the decrease being practically confined to Queensland. Queensland freezing companies anticipated a 50 or 60 per cent. shortage on their normal output during February. The export of frozen meat, which has practically all been to the order of the Imperial Government, amounted to 568,400lb, as against 11,380,960lb during the corresponding month of 1915. During the month the stocks of mutton and lamb have fallen by 1,500,000lb, or 31 per cent., and there appears to be little prospect of any improvement in the supply for some time to come. The export during the month was 868,630lb of mutton and lamb, valued at £16,130. The immediate outlook of the meat-preserving industry was stated to be anything but reassuring. Stocks held at the end of February represented 2,205,000lb, though a slight improvement in supplies was reported in some of the States. Bacon-curers in general wrote pessimistically of the immediate future of the industry, while retailers complained of the difficulty in obtaining requirements. Pigs were still very scarce, and there appeared little likelihood of an appreciable increase in supplies before next spring. The wholesale price during February was about 1/4 a lb, as against an average retail price during 1913 of 10½d a lb. Over 1,500,000 crates of rabbits were stocked at the end of the month, and stocks were stated to be increasing rapidly, and packing for export has been resumed. During February 46,885 crates to the value of £35,491 were exported, exclusive of stocks.

In the possession of, or under the control of, the Colonial Sugar Company 18,923 tons of sugar and 97,500gal. of molasses were held at the end of February, the bulk of it in Queensland. Except in a few districts still badly in want of rain, the output of butter was stated to have just about reached its maximum in February, and should continue good until the end of April. With regard to the supplies during the coming winter, opinions varied, but on the whole it would appear that given a fairly mild winter supplies should be equal to Australian requirements. The exports during February were 66,229lb, valued at £4338, as against 3,852,643lb, valued at £262,753, in the corresponding month of 1915. The stocks held on February 29 were 4,367,000lb. As regards kerosene and petrol, 7,733,000 gallons of the former and 2,575,000 of the latter were in stock in February.

MR. G. BLACK.

PROPOSED VISIT TO ENGLAND.

The Chief Secretary and Minister for Public Health, Mr. G. Black, is contemplating a visit to England in order that Mrs. Black may undergo treatment at the hands of a specialist. Some months ago the wife of the Minister was injured by somebody colliding with her on the footpath, and she has not yet recovered from the effects.

It is understood that his colleagues are desirous of granting leave of absence to the Chief Secretary, who purposes being absent from the House for about three months. The duties of his office will probably be carried out by an honorary Minister, who will be duly appointed by the party. Mr. Black was prepared to resign, but has been informed by his colleagues that that would be unnecessary. Mr. Black intends leaving as soon as he has placed several departmental matters on a sound footing.

RED CROSS.

BUSINESS MEN NEEDED.

The Red Cross Commissioners in Egypt have cabled asking that two more business men should be sent as early as possible to take charge of depots. A "store supervisor" is also needed. The man best suited for this position is one who has had experience in either a soft-goods or dry-goods store, preferably in the packing department. Voluntary offers, it is stated, would be welcomed, but in order to secure a suitable man, a salary will be paid. Applicants are invited to communicate without delay to the hon. secretaries, Red Cross, No. 4 Bridge-street.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS.

The secretary of the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children, Mr. Clarence Moss, in presenting the annual report at the meeting of the hospital yesterday, stated that the growth of the massage department had been phenomenal, and the demands made for treatment had on occasions kept three massage nurses working right into the night. The work has been specially heavy for the last three months, owing chiefly to the abnormal number of cases of infantile paralysis which obtained. There were at present 50 of these cases on the hospital books all requiring massage.

NEUTRALITY OF SWEDEN.

The official representatives of eight nations—Sweden, Britain, United States, France, Japan, Belgium, Netherlands, and Peru—dined together at the Hotel Australia last evening. The occasion was the fifth anniversary of the establishment in Sydney of the Swedish Chamber of Commerce. Those present were the guests of the latter body, and the president, Mr. S. T. Von Goes, was chairman. The Premier (Mr. Holman), Sir William McMillan, and Mr. W. R. Blow, New Zealand Government agent, were among the guests.

The chairman said that since the chamber was formed, and a line of direct steamers established, the value of exports from Sweden to Australia had increased from £59,000 in 1906, to £610,000 in 1913. The quality of Sweden, he added, had been very honestly and carefully observed in every direction. The British could rest assured that Sweden would be worthy of the friendship that existed between the two nations.

STATION MANAGER'S DEATH.

PERTH, Wednesday.

In the Criminal Court, a young male aborigine, named Ranjal, was charged with the wilful murder of George Francis Auckland, manager of Federal Downs Station, near Derby. The allegation was that accused, who was employed on the station, hit deceased over the head with the butt end of a rifle while he was lying in bed, and killed him.

Accused told the Court that on the morning of the tragedy Auckland came to his camp, took his gin away, and put handcuffs on her ankles. He asked what the gin had been doing, and deceased told him not to give cheek, and threatened to shoot him. Later he found the gin with deceased. Accused was found guilty of manslaughter, with a strong recommendation to mercy on account of provocation received.

NEW ZEALAND CASUALTIES.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.

The following casualties are reported:—

Died of disease.—Private Arthur King.

Believed Dead.—Privates John Willis, James Mullin, George Blatherwick, William Underwood, Alfred Deandrad, George Campbell, William Murselwalte, John Mehagan, Harry Jones, Patrick O'Callaghan, Percy Wootton.

EXPLOSION AT A MINE.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

While Frederick Wilson was charging a hole in the tailings dump on the Proprietary mine this morning an explosion occurred. Wilson, who was by himself, was badly hurt, and had to be taken to the hospital. The shock of the explosion broke many windows in the city, and a couple of narrow escapes from serious personal injury have been reported.

LATE MR. ROBERT POLLOCK.

The death occurred yesterday morning at his residence, Remuera, 8 Nicholson-street, Balmain East, of Mr. Robert Pollock, who was formerly Lloyd's surveyor in Sydney, and was accordingly well known in local shipping circles.

The late Mr. Pollock was found dead in bed on Wednesday morning. He was 74 years of age, and left a widow, four sons, and a daughter. The sons are all in the engineering trade. One of the sons, Mr. William Pollock, is an engineer on the steamer Clonee, which arrived in Sydney from Rangoon, via ports, on Tuesday last.

The funeral will take place at the Church of England Cemetery, Waverley, to-day.

STRIKES.

ELECTRICIANS CEASE WORK.

OBJECTION TO A FOREMAN.

About thirty electrical fitters and mechanics in the employ of the Public Works Department took exception to the appointment of a foreman, who is a member of the same union to which they belong—the Electrical Trades' Union—and have gone on strike.

As a consequence all Government buildings are without the services of the men who supervise electrical installations. Several new jobs have also been held up. These include works at Jenolan Caves, the Sydney University, and the Coast Hospital.

According to the statement of one of the strikers, a short time ago, when the men were working on short time, the department issued a circular which stated that those men who remained stanch to the department would have preference in future appointments. The department recently appointed a foreman from outside the service, which the men claimed was a breach of promise on the part of the department, and not being able to get an alteration made they downed tools.

DRILLERS' WAGES BOARD.

In the Legislative Assembly last night, Mr. Hoyle, in reply to Mr. Bagnall, explained the position that had arisen in regard to the Railway Wages Board, group No. 7, sitting to deal with the claims of drillers, and the Eveleigh strike. Judge Edmunds had some time ago pointed out, more as a matter of advice to the board than anything else, that when a body of men went on strike whose claims a board was considering, the board should suspend its sittings till the strike was over. In this case a number of drillers in the Eveleigh workshop were members of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, but the board was dealing with the claims of drillers working throughout the State. The chairman of the board, Mr. Hibble, either was not aware of this, or did not give it full consideration, and had suspended the board's inquiry the previous day. As drillers throughout the State were affected by this, however, Mr. Hibble had decided to go on with the inquiry, which had been resumed. Mr. Cargill, the railways' solicitor, had been to the Court that morning, and objected to the board going on, evidently under the impression that this was the law. As a matter of fact, the law did not say that a board must suspend its sittings under such circumstances.

EVELEIGH ENGINEERS.

There were no fresh developments yesterday in connection with the strike of fitters at the Eveleigh locomotive workshops. The mass meeting which was originally set down for last evening will be held to-night at the Trades Hall. It is expected that something definite will be decided upon at that gathering.

GARDEN ISLAND TROUBLE

With the view of bringing about a settlement of the strike of engineers at Garden Island naval workshops, which was caused through the dismissal of an employee owing to his refusal to do some repair work at Spectacle Island, a delegation representing the Amalgamated Society of Engineers left last evening for Melbourne to interview Mr. Jensen, Minister for the Navy.

VIEWS OF THE MANAGER.

Engineer-Captain Bromwich, general manager at Garden Island, in explaining the position taken up by the management, states:—"The management has never interpreted the clause in question as fixing the work on electricians only. But it can undoubtedly be read as permitting them to take charge if required. In no other union award is this work fixed for members of the A.S.E. or other unions. The custom at the State is for either (1) electricians, (2) engineers, or (3) engine-drivers to take charge of the plant, generally the lastnamed. The plant was taken over by Garden Island on completion of certain electrical work, necessitating the employment of electricians. These electricians, by clause 10, were apparently permitted by law and custom to do this work, and it would obviously have been criminal waste of public money to employ in addition finally-paid skilled mechanics for a type of plant which would be and is in other establishments worked by skilled labourers."

HILL END TROUBLE.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The strike of miners at Hill End is now in its fifth week, and there is still no sign of settlement. The Hawkins Hill Reward mine, which is the only one attempting to work, is closely picketed.

DRINK AND WORK.

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS WARNED.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The circular issued by the Minister for Home Affairs (Mr. O'Malley) with regard to drinking amongst the officers of his department is as follows:—

"Stagger-juice and efficient public business are absolutely incompatible. My order to the heads of all sections of the Home Affairs Department is to suspend from duty, without pay, any employee found to be under the influence of drink whilst at work, or showing any evidence whatever of having used it while on duty and trawling the King's pay. Delay is the seed of discourse and death. There can be no efficiency without speed, and speed is impossible with muddled whisky brains.—(Signed) King O'Malley, April 3."

FIXING PRICES.

POSITION IN QUEENSLAND.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The exceptional circumstances in Queensland with regard to the price of wheat caused the Federal Executive Council to-day to decide upon the suspension of the regulations fixing the price of bread in Brisbane at 6½d a loaf until April 17. When the price of wheat for local consumption in the four wheat-producing States was fixed at 4s 9d a bushel, it was provided that the Queensland rate should be 9d, plus the freight from Sydney. It is not proposed to alter this arrangement, and it will therefore be unfair to compel millers in England to sell flour at the same price as it is disposed of to bakers in Sydney. The Prices Adjustment Board is leaving almost immediately for Queensland, and it is hoped that by April 17 this board will have fixed reasonable prices for flour and bread in the northern capital.

PASSOVER LEAVE FOR A.I.F.

The District Commandant has approved of leave being specially granted to members of the A.I.F. who are of the Jewish faith during the celebration of the Passover, especially on April 17 and 18, to enable them to join their families.

SUGAR FROM FORMOSA.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

The amount of business transacted yesterday was again on the slack side.

The variations in values were as follows:—

RISE.

A.B.C. Shares 6d
Commercial Bank of Sydney 2/6
Mount Jukes Coopers 1/

FALL.

Board, Watson, 2nd prof. 1/
Hudson Parker (ord.) 6
Paul and Gray 1/6

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Number of Shares.	Amount of Share.	Last Dividend.	Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.	Related to Dividend.
STOCKS							
War Loan, 6%	..	£1	1916	..	100/-	..	
N.S.W. Stock	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Govt. Inscr. 1932	..	..	..	84	83	..	4
Ditto, 1924	..	..	..	99	98½	..	5
Ditto, 1923	..	..	..	..	98½	..	
Ditto, 1918	..	..	..	..	98	98½	6
Ditto, 1935	..	..	..	..	95	..	
N.S. Prov., deb.	..	..	..	..	100	..	6
N.S. Sth., deb.	..	..	..	..	100	..	6
N.S. Mth., deb.	..	..	..	..	..	..	
BANKS.							
*Australasia	40	£5	12	115	115	..	
Aust. E. Com.	..	..	..	11/6	11/0	11/6	6
Com. of Sydney	10	£5	10	214	210	..	6
Com. of Aust.	..	..	..	..	95	97½	6
Com. of Sydney	..	..	..	214	..	220	6
*N.S.W.	30	£5	12½	104	104	..	6
New Zealand	10	£5	10	..	..	..	
Q'land Nat.	..	..	..	21	21	21½	6
Union	10	£5	14	..	..	..	
DEPOSITS.							
A.B.C.	..	..	4	14/9	14/9	15/3	6
Q'land Nat.	..	..	10/-	..	..	14/9	
STEAM.							
Adelaide	1	£	6	20/-	20/-	..	6
Bal. Ferry	1	£	12½	13/6	12/-	17/	6
Hodgart, Parker	1	£	6	21/6	..	21/9	6
Inter. pref.	..	..	..	21/6	..	..	
Illawarra & S.C.	1	£	10	28/-	..	..	
Newcastle	1	£	10	28/-	..	..	
North Coast	1	£	10	28/-	..	..	
*Port Jackson	1	£	12½	31/	30/	32/6	6
Sydney Ferries	1	£	6	11/6	11/	12/	6
Ditto, new	1	£	3	3/	2/9	3/3	6
Union of N.Z.	1	£	10	21/	21/	..	6
Union, pref.	1	£	64	21/	..	21/	6
INSURANCE.							
Colonial Mut.	3	£	12	42/	38/	..	6
Aust. Mutual	10	£	15	38/	36/	38/6	6
A. & E.	..	..	..	..	5/3	5/6	
Mercantile Mut.	3	£	12	20/6	20/	..	6
New Zealand	10	£	12½	60/6	60/	62/	6
Northern	5	£	10	10/	9/6	..	6
Australian	20	£	5	6	6	..	6
Australian Prop.	5	£	2	2/	1/9	2/3	6
Ditto, pref.	5	£	2	2/	1/9	2/3	6
Ditto, 1st pref.	5	£	2	2/	1/9	2/3	6
LAND and BD.							
A. Rickard, pref.	1	£	7	14/	13/6	14/6	6
Petersham	1	£	12½	25/	..	..	6
Newcastle	1	£	10	20/	..	..	6
COAL.							
Bellambi	1	£	10	29/6	29/	..	6
Caledonian	1	£	10	21/	20/6	21/	6
East Greta	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
Excelsior	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
Lambton	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
Mount Kembla	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
Newcastle	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
North Kembla	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
North Mount Pleasant	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
North Sydney	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
Scottish Australian	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
Wallarah	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
Wickham	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6
Wongawilli	1	£	10	18/6	..	..	6

* Ex dividend or bonus. ** Cum dividend.

† Where dividends are interim the average for the year is quoted.

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: Beard, Watson, 2nd pref., 18/6; Huddart, Parker (ord.), 21/6 net; Commercial Bank of Sydney, £21 21/6; War Loan, 4½ bonds, £100 10/.

Noon.—Australian Bank of Commerce shares, 11/3; Bank of New South Wales, £38 17/6; Commercial Bank of Sydney, £21 17/6.

Afternoon: Burns, Philp, and Co., 26/; Paul and Gray, 24/6; Henry Jones Co-operative, 20/; Nicholson and Co., 13/.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Today's sales were:—Colonial Bank, 20/; Goldsbrough, 20/6; Hudson, Parker, 21/6, 60; Nelson Brassworks, 20/6; Amalgamated Pictures, 15/6; Tompkins' South (pref.), 6/; London Stores, 21/6; Port Sorrentum, 9/11.

FINANCIAL.

POST BELLUM TRADE.

SYDNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MOVES.

SUGGESTED ACTION.

The Sydney Chamber of Commerce has drafted a series of resolutions to be submitted to the Brisbane conference of Associated Chambers of the Commonwealth to be held next month, and to the conference convened by the British Imperial Council of Commerce to be held in London in June next. The resolutions are as follow:—

1. FISCAL QUESTIONS.

(a) The adoption of a system of preferential tariffs within the Empire.

(b) The question of preferential trade relations between the British Empire and allied nations.

That this conference approves of the principle of preferential tariffs within the Empire, and of preferential trade relations between the British Empire and the allied nations, and suggests that the system adopted be on the following lines:—

Preference within the Empire.

A modified degree of preference for allied nations. Fair and reasonable treatment of neutral nations. Surtaxed tariffs against those nations which have forced the Empire into this costly war.

(c) The measures which should be taken within the Empire against enemy countries in respect of manufactured goods and shipping.

I. See recommendations (a) and (b).

II. That a lower scale of tonnage dues and port charges should apply in all British ports to British-owned vessels. Also that foreign tonnage in Empire ports should conform to Empire conditions regarding shipping.

III. That the treatment of products within the Empire be encouraged if necessary with Government assistance, so as to render our industries independent of enemy nations for any industrial processes.

IV. Goods exported from the United Kingdom to the dominions, consisting in part of allied, neutral, or enemy manufacture, shall only be treated in the dominions under the Imperial tariff, in so far as the British proportion is concerned, otherwise to come under the appropriate tariff to the extent to which the allied, neutral, or enemy proportion of manufacture is concerned.

(d) Measures against dumping enemy goods within the Empire.—That measures should be adopted against the dumping of enemy goods within the Empire, and that, for the purpose of preventing dumping, the Australian system of charging Customs duties on the value of the goods for domestic consumption in the country of origin be recommended.

2. LEGISLATIVE QUESTIONS.

(a) The amendment of the laws relating to naturalisation.

That the naturalisation laws of the Empire should be amended so as to provide safeguards, including a reasonable period of residence, against the admission to citizenship of aliens, and that, pending the renouncement by Germany of the right to disregard the naturalisation of a German as a British subject, no further certificates of naturalisation should be granted to persons of German nationality or origin.

(b) The compulsory registration of aliens throughout the Empire.

That this principle should be supported.

(c) The question of licenses to trade and other regulations affecting foreign firms and companies.

(a) To agree with this principle.

(b) Licensed foreigners to trade in their own name.

(c) That foreign insurance companies and banks should only be allowed to carry on business within the British Empire on depositing a substantial amount with the Government of the country in which they desire to do business.

(d) The prohibition of contracts with aliens which may have the effect of restraining Imperial trade.

As here expressed, the proposal is too vague and too wide in its application.

(e) Reform of patents and designs and trade mark laws, with the object of establishing a uniform basis throughout the Empire.

That this principle be agreed to.

(f) The application of the principle of Imperial preference in taxation; and, if. The adjustment of the present system by which double income tax is charged within the Empire.

I. This chamber does not regard it as desirable or practicable to attempt to apply the principle of preference in Imperial taxation.

II. This Chamber trusts that the discussion now being held between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the authorities of the British Government may result in such modification of the present incidence of taxation as to remove the risk of the discouragement of the investment of British capital in Australia.

3. VOLUNTARY ACTION BY CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND BOARDS OF TRADE.

(a) Limitation of membership of Chambers of Commerce, etc, to British-born subjects.

That the subject to the suggested alterations in the laws of naturalisation, and the licensing of foreign traders, this limitation is not considered necessary. Every chamber would presumably exercise such discrimination as is deemed advisable.

(b) Appointment of additional Trade Commissioners by the respective Governments of the Empire.

By additional resolution (a) we suggest the formation of a Ministry of Commerce, to which would be delegated the control and appointment of expert Trade Commissioners.

(c) Encouragement of inter-Imperial exhibitions.

In the light of past experience, the chamber regards such exhibitions as of doubtful value.

(d) Promotion of closer trade and social relations within the Empire and in relation to allied countries.

If the resolution is to read "promotion of closer economic relations within the Empire," this chamber is in favour of it.

ADDITIONAL MOTIONS SUGGESTED BY THE SYDNEY CHAMBER.

(a) Proposed Ministry of Commerce.

That Ministers of Commerce should be appointed by the Governments of Great Britain and the Dominions.

(b) Enemy subjects not to own land.

Enemy subjects not to own land capable of being used for military purposes, or other purposes contrary to the public safety.

(c) Restoration of plant and machinery by (or Restoration of plant and machinery by Germany).

That as the Germans are systematically removing plant and machinery to Germany from the territories in their occupation, the terms of peace should include the return of all stolen plant and machinery.

SYDNEY BANK CLEARINGS.

The clearings of the Sydney banks for the week ended April 3 totalled £10,588,857, against £11,951,886 for the corresponding week last year. The following comparison may be made of the totals to nearest dates of the years here enumerated:—

January 1 to April 2, 1915	90,320,586
January 1 to April 2, 1914	100,036,564
January 1 to April 3, 1913	88,206,991
January 1 to April 5, 1916	178,614,967

There has thus been an increase to date of £2,293,606. Victorian banks' clearings for the week were £2,565,560, and for the period January 1 to April 3 £97,851,910, an increase of £14,691,364.

BANK ABSTRACTS.

The following are the abstracts of average liabilities and assets of the undermentioned banks for the quarter ended March 31, compared with the preceding quarter:—

ENGLISH, SCOTTISH, AND AUSTRALIAN.

	Quarter ended Dec. 31.	March 31.
Notes	.....	.....
Current accounts	1,101,139	1,114,674
Fixed deposits	839,589	897,259
Coin and bullion	448,176	459,178
Govt. securities	410,460	418,067
Aust. notes	2,700,922	2,110,173
Advances, etc.	.....	.....

ROYAL.

Notes	£18	£18
Current accounts	70,748	74,018
Fixed deposits	113,469	110,585
Coin and bullion	42,929	43,960
Aust. notes	1,214	1,993
Advances, etc.	284,443	287,661

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Accounts opened in the savings branch of the Commonwealth Bank last week numbered 2299. On April 3 accounts open numbered 258,613, and depositors' balances amounted to £8,388,425, compared with 253,144 and £8,000,832 on April 5, 1915.

LONDON FINANCIAL CABLES

BANKS AND OTHER AUSTRALASIAN STOCKS.

LONDON, April 4.

Quotations of Australian banks and other stocks are as follow:—

Bank of Australasia, £110/12/6 (£1 up on the fortnight).

Bank of New South Wales, £38/7/6 (10/ up on the fortnight).

Union Bank, £40/5/ (5/ up on the fortnight).

Bank of Victoria, £2/5/9 (unchanged on the fortnight).

National Bank of Australasia, £4/15/ (5/ up on the fortnight).

National Bank of New Zealand, £4/12/9 (2/2 down on the fortnight).

Bank of New Zealand shares, £10 (unchanged on the fortnight).

Bank of New Zealand 4 per cent., guaranteed stocks, £82/7/6 (unchanged on the fortnight).

New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, ordinary stocks, £76/18/ (unchanged on the fortnight).

New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, first debentures stock, £75 (5/ down on the fortnight).

City of Melbourne 4 per cent. debentures, £95 (£1 up on the fortnight).

Melbourne Tramway Trust 4½ per cent. debentures, £99/15/ (unchanged on the fortnight).

Melbourne Board of Works, 4 per cent. debentures, £90/10/ (unchanged on the fortnight).

Melbourne Harbour Trust, 4 per cent. debentures, £92/10/.

WAR PROBLEMS.

MAIL ROUTES.

At the council meeting of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, held yesterday, a communication was received from the London Chamber of Commerce relative to the former body's representations on the subject of the failure of the British Post Office to forward letters in accordance with superscription thereon, i.e., by alternate routes. The London chamber is bringing the matter under the notice of the Postmaster-General. The sinking of the Sussex, with a considerable Australian mail on board, serves to further emphasize the necessity of the chamber's representations being given effect to.

ENEMY FIRMS.

For some little time the Sydney Chamber of Commerce have been endeavouring to obtain from responsible authorities a list of firms proscribed by the British Government either as enemy firms or as firms convicted of trading with the enemy. Inquiry at the Department of External Affairs has elicited the information that such a list is not available within the department. In these circumstances it has been decided to make further representations, with a view of obtaining the fullest available information for the protection of Australian traders.

PRICE-FIXING BOARDS.

The Sydney Chamber of Commerce is forwarding the following motion for inclusion, among others, in the business paper to be submitted to the Associated Chambers of Commerce, at the meeting in Brisbane next month:—"That all Government price-fixing boards, as applied to food supplies, now operating by Federal and State Governments, should be abolished or their functions restricted to one of regulation only, thus preventing the possibility of any exploitation; otherwise, their constant interference with market values will, as heretofore, diminish production and seriously react upon consumers."

COMMERCIAL.

THE MARKETS.

A very active inquiry was noticeable yesterday for acids, especially for tartaric and citric. Cream of tartar was also wanted, though not so keenly. Cables from Italy gave prices which would not allow of tartaric acid being sold below 2/6, and even then the shipment could not be guaranteed before October. English quotations meant a selling price here of 3/1½. Sales were made at 3/2 for parcels, and distributing lots the merchants were asking 3/4. Cream of tartar was unchanged on the local market, but firm at 3/1 for 99 per cent. and 2/2 for 99 per cent. If the quotation cabled from Italy were taken as a guide, 2/4 would be the selling price here for Italian, and the English quotation would mean a selling price of 2/4½. Citric acid was stronger at 2/6. Caustic soda was extremely scarce, and quotations were nominally at £30 for all strengths. A little bought from second hands is coming forward, but not nearly sufficient to supply the market. Soda-ash had a little business at £13. Bi-Soda-ash had a little business at £13. Bicarb. was worth £13/10/. Bluestone was going out in large quantities at 63/ per cwt. A further advance was made in rosin, and nothing could be obtained in G grade under £22. New York cables gave prices which would mean a selling price here of at least £24/15/. This would be by steamer, all sailers having been withdrawn. Sulphur and borax were steady at late rates. Formalin was somewhat easier at 1/ a gallon.

In metals the only business of note was done in tinplates. Up to 41/ was paid for boxes, and holders at the close of the day asked 42/. Our cables refer to the difficulties of procuring tinplates from the English manufacturers, and the efforts being made by the Agents-General to surmount these difficulties, the chief of which appears to be the demand of the British Government for steel sheets.

Jute values were again unaltered.

The amount of wool manifested to arrive at Darling Harbour and suburban stations yesterday was 389 bales.

BREADSTUFFS.

CURRENT PRICES.

The following prices are now current:—

Wheat, throughout the Commonwealth, 2/6 a bushel (sacks), at railway station or siding; for export, 3/3 a bushel f.o.b. Sydney; for flour for local consumption and for Queensland, 4/9 a bushel (at or rail, Sydney; for flour for U.K., Africa, Egypt, and New Zealand, 5/1½ a bushel, f.o.b. Sydney; for flour for the East, 5/1 for flour for elsewhere, 5/9, and as wheat for local consumption, 6/3d on rail.

Flour: Wholesale, £11/5/ a ton of 2000lb, in counties of Cumberland and Northumberland. In other localities, £11/10/, in addition to the price prevailed elsewhere throughout the State on August 1, 1914, maximum price as fixed by law.

Bran: Wholesale, millers' price, £4/10/ a ton in the counties of Cumberland and Northumberland. In other localities, £1/10/ less than the price which prevailed on September 10, 1914, the maximum allowed by law.

Pollard: Wholesale flour millers' price, £4/10/ a ton in the counties of Cumberland and Northumberland. In other localities, £1/10/ less than the price which prevailed on September 10, 1914, the maximum allowed by law.

Bread: 2½d a 2lb loaf sold over the counter, and 4d a 2lb loaf delivered, within the counties of Cumberland and Northumberland. Elsewhere throughout the State, 1d a 2lb loaf in advance of the actual price charged on August 1, 1914.

ARRIVALS BY RAIL.

The receipts of wheat and flour by rail at Darling Harbour for the week ended April 4 were 227,109 tons of wheat, and 854 tons of flour.

The totals to April 4 for the statistical year, which commenced on December 1, 1915, compare with those of the previous two years as follows:—

Season.	Wheat. Tons.	Flour. Tons.
1915-16	482,598	15,825
1914-15	61,187	16,620
1913-14	256,297	23,980

WORLD'S WHEAT POSITION.

The world's total production of wheat last year was considerably larger than in the previous year, namely, to the extent of 109 million quarters. Leaving Russia and Rumania out of the calculation, and deducting the 10 million quarters from the American winter wheat crop on account of damage at harvest time, last year's yield of wheat was still 70 million quarters in excess of that grown in 1914, and of this 70 million quarters about 65 million quarters were required for bringing consumptries. The estimated quantity of wheat available for export, after deducting the home consumption (leaving reserves the same at the end as at the commencement of the season), in the United States, Canada, Australia, Argentina, India, and Russia amounted to 140 million quarters. Of this enormous and unprecedented surplus less than 35 million quarters have so far been shipped, so that, with quite a moderate world's crop this year, there would still be plenty of wheat for all requirements up to the end of July, 1917, or for eighteen months from the present time. In normal years, with such an abundance of wheat available, prices would probably have been in the neighbourhood of 30s per quarter, but, owing mainly to the high freight rates as a result of the war, present prices have fully double what they would have been. The "London Grain, Seed, and Oil Reporter" says that with freight rates already very high months ago, it was no doubt thought by British millers that there was more probability of rates declining than advancing further, and this tended to restrict buying of wheat, whilst the fact that freights continued to rise more and more did not improve matters as far as encouraging buying forward was concerned. What also helped to raise prices was the uncertainty, not only as to the quantity of wheat acutally bought for Government account, but also as to the quantity that might be so bought in the future, the result being that notwithstanding the immense production of wheat in North America, millers and dealers were very cautious buyers; as a result thereof imports into the United Kingdom were below requirements up to October last year, and stocks decreased considerably, the result being seen in advancing prices. During the past few months, and especially was this the case in January, imports were on much more liberal lines.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 3855 tons of wheat and 114 tons of flour were manifested to arrive.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

CHEMICALS.

Bluestone (Manchester): £36 per ton, 84 per cwt. Cream of Tartar: 99 per cent., 2/1, 99 per cent., 2/3 per lb.

Tartaric Acid: 2/4 per lb.

Citric Acid: 2/6 per lb.

Borax: Powder, £40 per ton, in cwt kegs; boracic, £68 per ton; lumps, £70.

Carbide: Seedless, £30 per ton, in parcels.

Resin: In parcels, "G" grade £21 to £22, "wg" grade £23 per ton.

Soda: Bicarbonate, 12/6 per cwt; crystal, £30 per ton; soda ash, £13 per ton.

Arsenic: White, 24 per cwt; grey, no demand.

Strychnine: Spot, 4/6 per oz.

Sulphur: Common, £15/10/; French, £17/10/; Crown Seal, £21.

Formalin: 1 gallon jars, 1/ a gallon.

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

METALS.

LONDON, April 3.

Closing quotations to-day were:—

Copper—Standard, spot, £115 to £115/5 per ton (5/ down); three months, nominal, £112 (£1 down).

Tin.—Spot, £197/10/ to £198 (£1/10/ down); three months, £192/5/ to £192/15/ (17/6 down).

Lead.—Soft foreign, spot, £24/12/6 (5/ down); three months, £24/7/6 (15/ down).

Spelter.—Spot, £33 (£3 down); three months, £33 (£1 down).

Pigiron.—Middlesbrough No. 3, nominal, 91/6 (2/3 up).

April 4.

Closing quotations to-day were:—

Copper, Standard, spot, £115/10/ to £116 per ton (12/6 up); three months, nominal, £113 (£1 up).

Tin: Spot, £197/10/ to £197/15/ (2/6 down), three months, £192/10/ to £192/15/ (2/6 up).

Pig Iron: Middlesbrough No. 3, nominal, 92/ (1/6 up).

Lead: Soft, foreign, spot, £24 (12/6 down); three months, £24 5/ (2/6 down).

Spelter: Spot, £31 (£2 down); three months, £31 (£2 down).

COPPER STATISTICS.

Statistics of copper for last month, the previous month, and March of 1915, are:—

	March, 1916. Tons.	February, 1916. Tons.	March, 1915. Tons.
Supplies	27,787	26,218	42,278
Deliveries	27,982	25,750	48,207
Stocks	9,338	9,511	1,856
Afloat from Australia	4,800	4,800	4,800
European visible supply	32,068	31,704	39,600

TIN STATISTICS.

Statistics of tin for last month, the previous month, and March, 1915, are:—

	March, 1916. Tons.	February, 1916. Tons.	March, 1915. Tons.
Stock	20,421	19,366	18,119
On spot and landing	1,944	974	904
Afloat from Australia	4,519	4,643	3,368
Deliveries	1,418	1,180	3,312

LONDON, April 3.

SILVER.

Bar silver was quoted to-day at 29¾ per ounce standard, an advance of ¼d.

April 4

SILVER.

Bar silver was quoted to-day at 29 1-16d per ounce standard, a fall of 5-16d.

WHEAT.

The wheat market is quiet but firmer on bullish reports of the American winter crop.

AMERICAN VISIBLE WHEAT.

The American supply of visible wheat is 182,374,000 bushels, compared with 151,695,000 bushels last week, and 67,350,000 bushels last year.

PRODUCE.

DAIRY.

THE BACON POSITION.

Trade in dairy produce was quiet.

Supplies of new-laid eggs were much smaller than they had been for several days, and agents were able to clear their floors at 1/10 a dozen. There were no suburban eggs available at 1/8. Case eggs were a trifle easier, being obtainable at 1/8, according to quality. The market has now evidently recovered after last week's setback.

Stocks of cheese were very small, and many grocers were unable to obtain full supplies. There was no change in the proclaimed price of 72s, but it is anticipated that an advance will be gazetted within the next few days.

Poultry continues to sell well at full rates.

There is no change in the bacon position. The Government has issued proclaimed prices for the commodity, but the quantity of meat available at these rates is infinitesimal. The factories claim that the fixed rate is an unremunerative one, and that they are losing money, but when they are asked by the commission to produce their balance-sheets they refuse to comply with the request. The Federal Minister for Trade and Customs has raised doubts as to the accuracy of the statements made regarding profits, and they have announced that until the documents asked for are forthcoming no movement in values will be allowed. In the meantime the consuming public is without bacon, but this is apparently no concern of either the commission or the curers.

Quotations were:—

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter, at Sydney (wholesale) prices.—First grade, 1/2; second grade, 1/1; third grade, 1/0; per lb., including 2/6 charge on boxes and canal carriage, not exceeding 6d per cwt.

Cheese.—Prime, 69s, good 68s, rough 67 per 112lb.

Eggs (producers' prices).—Duns 1/, finches 7½d, middle 1/2, shoulders 1/0 per lb.

Hams (proclaimed prices).—All brands 1/3d per lb.

Lard (wholesale).—In kegs and cases, 7½d to 8d per lb.

Flitch Fats.—1/3 to 1/6 a dozen.

Pigs' Heads.—3½ to 4 per lb.

Fritz Bananas.—1/9 per bunch.

Fruit.—Apples, 1/ to 2/ (cooking), 1/10, South Coast and railways, 1/7 to 1/8, Northern Rivers, 1/7; duck eggs, new-laid 1/10 to 1/11, case 1/7 a dozen.

Honey.—60lb tins of choice western, nominally 5½, Dungog, 5½ per lb.

Beeswax.—1/6 per lb.

POULTRY.

Railway and River Consignments.—Old hens, 4/6 to 5/; young roosters, 5/6 to 6/6; chicken and Muscovy ducks, 5/ to 6/; drakes, 6/6; English ducks, 5/ to 6/; choice 4/6; turkeys, gobblers, 15/ to 22/; hens, 7/ to 10/; pigeons, 1/ to 1/6; guineafowls, none offered; cockerels, 3/ to 3/6.

Suburban Consignments.—Fowls, young roosters, 4/ to 5/6, good to 6/, choice 6/6 to 8/; ducklings, 4/ to 5/, choice to 6/; drakes, 6/ to 7/; choice 8/; turkeys, young to 12/6, medium to 18/, good to 22/, choice to 32/6 per pair; guineafowls to 6/. Geese to 8/. Pigeons to 2/3 pair.

FORAGE AND GRAIN.

ONIONS DEARER.

A parcel of 2000 bags of brown Spanish onions arrived from Victoria, and the best samples commanded to £5 a ton. The demand for onions in Melbourne has improved considerably, and the position is firmer. Sales are practically limited to Victoria. Prime Victorians are quoted at £2/10/, good at £2/5/, and small and medium at £2 to £2/10/ a ton f.o.b.

The price of potatoes in Melbourne has declined by from £1 to £1/10/ per ton. Very little inquiry is being received from New South Wales or Queensland, buyers in these States having operated fairly heavily in Tasmanian tubers. In consequence stocks are accumulating at Spencer-street. A limited quantity of prime shipping Carmens and Brownells have been sold at £3/5/ per ton in Melbourne, but at this price the market sellers were willing to accept £2/5/10/ f.o.b. Good potatoes are quoted at from £2 to £2/5/, and medium at down to £1.

The Victorian Government Statistician estimates the net crop of that State at 9,228,894 bushels on account of the material less than generally anticipated. The reason for the crop gathered for grain failing to come up to anticipations does not, however, lie in any reduction in the yield per acre, but in the unusually large proportion of crop which has been cut for hay. The depletion of the Victorian wheat crop after the harvest wheat crop have apparently combined to cause this result. It may be safely assumed, however, that the threshing from stacks will continue throughout the year, the additional volume of grain depending upon the relative market values during the months to come. As shown in the official statistics, has been exceeded on two occasions, the existing record being the year following the previous drought.

Quotations were:—

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: Redskins and Flukes, £10/10/; Brownells, £10; Diamonds and Dinkums, £9/10/; Victorian Carmen £9/10/; local, £8/10/ to £9 a ton.

Onions.—Victorian Brown Spanish, £4/15/ to £5 a ton.

FORAGE.

Chaff.—Local Wheaten, £7/10/ to £8; oaten, £7/10/ to £8 a ton.

Derrick River.—Tasmanian: Oaten, £2/10/; wheaten, £3 a ton.

Lucerne Hay.—Hunter River: Prime green, in large bales £5 to £5/10/, small £5; soft, new, in large bales, £4 to £4/10/ a ton.

GRAIN AND BY-PRODUCTS.

Maize.—Prime, dry, yellow, from Northern Rivers, 4/6 sacks, 4/9 a bushel.

Bran.—Prime long fair, £4/5/; inferior, from £3 a ton.

Oats.—Algerian, feed 2/7 to 2/8; milling, 2/9 to 2/10, white 2/10 to 2/11.

Pollard.—Tasmanian: Grey, 3/6, blue 3/9 a bushel.

Bran.—Local: £4/10/ a ton.

Pollard.—Local: £4/10/ a ton.

FLOUR (WHOLESALE).

Roseworthy, choice 10/, good 7/6 to 7/9, straight 7/ to 7/6, medium 6/ to 6/6, mixed wood, 5/ to 5/6, bakers' wood, choice 6/6, good 6/, inferior 5/ to 5/6 a bag.

RAILWAY MARKET.

ADVANCE IN CHAFF.

FALL IN POTATOES.

A shorter supply of chaff was available at the Redfern sales yesterday. Buyers were well represented, and operations were brisk. Prices showed a further advance of 10/ per ton, the first strong demand existed only for wheaten and oaten chaffs, and values rose sharply as buyers recognised the limited supplies on hand.

Wheaten chaff realised 4/4 to 5/ per cwt., which represents a rise of 5/ per ton, and in oaten chaff a similar rise was experienced, this making prices 4/6 to 4/10 per cwt.

The market was bare of lucerne, save for a few trucks of chaff, which made to 6/ per cwt. A better demand prevailed for oaten hay, which was worth 6/ per cwt., and derrick straw was firmer, and private sales were transacted at 3/ per cwt.

Oats were firm at recent rates. The few lots offered were fine specimens of the Algerian variety, and were worth 2/7½ per bushel. Barley was not so fortunate in finding buyers.

The quality of potato offerings was good, and some lots were very choice. Buyers, however, showed great caution, and paid much reduced rates for their purchases.

Onions in position for sale comprised 41 of hay, straw, and chaff; 6 of grain; and 7 of potatoes; while outstandings were manifested at 85 of forage, 5 of grain, and 11 of vegetables.

The following business was transacted:—

Wheaten chaff.—Ex Yerong Creek (6558), 4/3; ex Cranbourne (24902), 4/3; ex Kelso (2873), 4/10; ex Orange (1680), 4/6; Durras, Clabo (1181?0), 4/4; Armstrong, Wongarbon, ex Tomora (13882), 4/8; ex Casuarina (13270), 4/4; Meeks, Watsonsdale (16755), 4/; Bulford, Leichhardt (17200), 4/9 per cwt.

Oaten chaff.—Bullock, Blayney (7411), 4/10; do, Blayney, piped 4/4; ex Blayney (17756), 4/6; ex Cudgegong (13461), passed 4/1; White, Yanco (17068), 4/9; Bullock, Blayney (9433), 4/3; Bullock, Cowra (10347), 4/6; Johnstone, Wangadilla (14200), 4/3; ex Greenethorpe (14961), 4/6 per cwt.

Lucerne chaff.—Ex Yanco (4383), ex truck, passed 6/; ex Cudgegong (13461), 6/ per cwt.

Potatoes.—Ex Orange (3799), 6/; M'Kenzie, Wombool (3358), 4/11 per cwt.

Oats.—Arnold, Albury (24813), Algerian, 2/11; ex Cressy very fair, Shale rather sticky when Corienbob (6195), 121 bags Algerian 2/11; ex Gerogerie (24337), 100 bags Algerian oats, passed 2/5 per bushel.

Barley.—Hurkle, Cowra (3342), 170 bags English passed 3/1; do. (24256), passed 2/1 per bushel.

Potatoes.—Ex Darling Harbour (28116), 7 bags Satisfactions, 3/1; M'Leod, Goyra (12316), 37 bags Satisfactions, branded "Barry," 7/7; Youman, Black Mountain (13140), 30 bags Manhattans, branded A.Y., 7/1, 30 bags Manhattans, branded "J. Youman," 6/9, 17 bags Brownells, branded "Parkins," 7/1; ex Glen Innes (18200), 45 bags Sequoias, branded "Moore," 6/9; 30 bags Satisfactions branded "Holloway," 6/5; "Frost," Black Mountain (13685), 70 bags branded "J. Frost," 7/1; Souter, Black Mountain (9261), 90 bags mixed varieties 7/4; ex Bathurst (11150), 32 bags Manhattans, 7/8 per cwt.

FRUIT MARKETS.

HEAVY BANANA SHIPMENT.

A heavy shipment of Fiji bananas, totalling 28,000 bunches, was available yesterday morning. G.M.'s brought from 14/ to 15/ a case and from 6/ to 8/ a bunch; Fiji, from 13/ to 14/ a case and from 4/ to 6/ a bunch.

A parcel of 20,000 cases of Tasmanian apples and pears was to hand. Choice samples sold well at full rates, but medium and inferior fruit was to be had at low figures.

Quotations were:—

The quotations for local fruit do not include cases.

Apples.—Local: Dessert, choice 6/, medium 3/6 to 4/, small 2/6; cooking, choice 4/6 to 5/, medium 3/6 to 4/, small 2/6. Victorian and Tasmanian: Dessert 2/ to 3/6, cooking 2/6 to 3/ a bushel case.

Pineapples.—Queens, 7/ to 12/ a case.

Bananas.—Fijian, 13/ to 14/ a case; 4/ to 6/ a bunch; G.M.'s, 14/ to 15/ a case, 6/ to 8/ a bunch.

Lemons.—Local: Choice 3/, medium 1/6 to 1/9, small to 1/ a bushel case.

Quinces.—Local: Choice 6/, medium 4/6 per bushel case.

Persimmons.—Local: Choice 4/ to 4/6 a half-bushel case. Medium, 1/6 to 2/6, small or inferior practically unsaleable.

Pears.—Local: Dessert, choice 7/ to 8/; cooking, choice 4/ to 5/, medium 2/ to 3/6. Victorian, 2/ to 6/5 a bushel case; Tasmanian, 2/ to 5/ a half-bushel case.

Grapes.—Local: Black and white muscats, 2/6 to 7/6; white Sherry, 2/6 to 5/6 a half-case.

Passionfruit.—Local: Choice, 2/ to 2/6; medium, 1/6 to 2/; small, 1/6 a half-case.

CALF SALES.

At the City Corporation yards yesterday 347 calves were yarded. Supplies consisted chiefly of small sorts, there being only odd vealers procurable, and yearlings were not represented at all. Buyers were in full attendance, and active competition prevailed. The demand for plainer calves was a shade weaker, and prices were slightly lower.

The ruling rates were:—

Best vealers to £4, good £3/10/ to £3/15/; medium £3 to £3/5/; inferior, from £2.

Best bobbies, £2; good, £1/10/ to £1/15/; medium, £1/4/ to £1/8/; prime light, 18/ to £1/2/, and inferior light from 7/.

MINING.

WESTONIAS HAVE ANOTHER RUN.

TIN AND BARRIERS SOLID.

COPPER INACTIVE.

The "rush" wires from the Westonia field reached the Sydney Stock Exchange yesterday morning. The first from the Edna May Golden Point mine, read:—"No. 3 shaft, depth 90ft; influx of water, stopped sinking. Now timbering. Start driving on quartz Thursday." This did not have the least effect in improving the position of the shares, for at the noon call there were sellers at 12/3, as against the last previous recorded sale of 13/9.

The other wire was longer, and more determinative in character. It came from the Melbourne legal manager of the Edna May Deep Levels and Edna May Consolidated mines. Who sent it from Westonia was not stated, but it looked official, and, therefore, it was presumed to have been sent by Mr. Stuckey, manager of the Edna May Deep, and also consulting engineer for the Edna May Consolidated. It read:—"Inspected Deeps and Consolidated. Former has mastered water, and is cementing. Hope finish same end of week. Consolidated pump installed and working

PATRIOTIC FUNDS.

RED CROSS.

Her Excellency Lady Helen Munro Ferguson paid a visit yesterday to No. 24 Ash-street, where the Kilburn Voluntary Aid Detachment do the work of distributing fruit and vegetables to the home hospitals, convalescent homes, and families of returned sick and wounded soldiers. Mr. Pontey is the director, and, in addition to girls of the Voluntary Aid, there are two volunteers who deal with the cases and heavy packs of goods.

LORD MAYOR'S FUND.

The Lord Mayor acknowledges the receipt of the following contributions to the Patriotic Fund:—Already acknowledged, £207,678/11/6; staff Pacific Cable Board, March instalment, £4/18/; and small sums. Total, £207,861/11/8.

Contributions of clean white linen, thoroughly washed, are urgently required in connection with the old linen branch of the Red Cross Society. Parcels should be addressed to the hon. secretary, Miss Ella Richards, basement, Town Hall, Sydney, as this is the only depot for receiving old linen.

BELGIAN FUND.

Amount previously acknowledged, £379,171/9/7; North Sydney, Tunks' Ward (contribution for quarter ended 31/3/16), £60; Attorney-General and Justice Department, Ministerial office, sub-departments, and country officers, 12th instalment, £144/11/7; Australian Wood Pipe Co., Ltd., contribution for March, £5; court reporters, Department of Attorney-General and of Justice, two fortnightly instalments, £4/5/; D. Maughan, monthly, £3/3/; Mrs. R. L. Scruton, £2/2/; Francis R. C. Hopkins (proceeds of sale of booklets), £1/17/; Rosgrove (R.H.S.) (further proceeds of gift of wheat), £6/9/6; officers and staff of Gladesville Hospital, contribution for March, £7/17/6; and small sums. Total, £379,387/17/2.

ALLIES' DAY.

Previously acknowledged, £117,963/3/11. The Under-Secretary for Finance and Trade (£ for £ subsidy for the month of February), £29,674/1/11; Murrumburrah and district (proceeds of dance held at Murrumburrah Town Hall, Wakefield (proceeds of entertainment held at Wakefield, Quirindi), £14. Further contribution, £2/2/. Total, £147,093/7/10.

COMFORTS FUNDS.

The Divisional Engineers and Signallers' Comforts Committee will hold a special meeting on Thursday, April 13, in the depot, room 20, 2nd floor, Equitable Building. All private parcels left at the depot within the next 10 days must be called for, as they cannot be sent away.

The 30th Battalion Comforts Fund is not sending any more personal parcels. The depot will be open, as usual, on Wednesdays and Fridays per week. The secretary wishes to thank the anonymous donor of the £5 note, sent through Mrs. Jardine, in aid of the Comforts Fund.

A meeting of the Army Veterinary Corps Comforts Fund was held on Tuesday, Professor Douglas Stewart presided. It was announced that a considerable number of gifts in kind and money had been received, and it was decided on the recommendation of the executive committee to despatch the first instalment of comforts to the corps. Members of the committee will be in attendance daily at the room to receive donations in kind, and to supply information.

One of the various patriotic entertainments which have marked the progress of the war during the present year, was recently given at Katoomba by Mrs. H. O. Ellison, in aid of the Comforts Fund, of the 19th Battalion, now on active service. The function, which was substantially successful, closed with hearty good wishes for the safe return of the battalion and the hostess, Private R. C. Coogan, now with the colours of the 16th.

A meeting of the Liverpool Field Hospital Comforts Fund was held at Liverpool to make arrangements for providing Easter gifts for the camp hospital, and nursed quarters. The hon. secretary of the Liverpool Agricultural Society stated that the pavilion on the showground would be at the disposal of the fund for the show to be used as luncheon and tea rooms.

FRENCH-AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE.

A special Wool Trade fund has been started by the Sydney and Brisbane Woolbuyers' Association and the Sydney Wool Selling Brokers' Association in aid of the French-Australian League. Donations should be sent either to Mr. W. J. McMahon, secretary, Sydney and Brisbane Woolbuyers' Association, Royal Exchange, Sydney, or to Mr. John Leach, secretary, Sydney Wool Selling Brokers' Association, at the same address.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE

The Deputy Commissioner (Dr. T. Storie Dixon) and the District Staff acknowledge the receipt of the following contributions in aid of St. John Ambulance Brigade Hospital:—Manly residents (per Adam Ogilvy), first instalment £100 9s, second instalment £60 11s 10d; C. C. Lance, £5; Dr. T. Storie Dixon, £5; Mrs. Mackay, £2 2s; Leichhardt Nursing Division (per Mrs. W. H. Simson, lady supt.), £11 1s 7d; Glebe Nursing Division (per Mrs. Gertrude Clark, lady supt.), £46 9s 6d; Western Suburbs Nursing Division (per Miss A. Read, lady supt.), £40; Paddington and Woollahra Ambulance Nursing Divisions (per Mr. E. A. Watson, Ambulance Officer-in-charge, and Mrs. A. Sharpe, lady supt.), £25 7s 10d; H. D. Walsh, £3; Marrickville Nursing Division (per Mrs. Lily Reilly, lady supt.), £7 7s; S. J. A. B. O. Dinner Committee (per W. J. Harris), £10; remitted to Chief Commissioner S. J. A. B. O., first instalment (cabled) £100, second instalment (cabled) £160, cost of cables £6 3s; and small sums. Total, £266 5s 6d.

MONTENEGRO.

Sir J. Roper Parkington, Consul-General for Montenegro in London, writing on February 12 to a Sydney gentleman who has interested himself in the Serb cause, says:—"The handsome amounts received from the Agent-General for New South Wales are appreciated. You will, I am sure, be glad to know that Lady Roper Parkington, the hon. treasurer, has received nearly £40,000, which, in view of the numerous appeals and the smallness of Montenegro, is marvellous. We have already purchased large sums to Cettinge, and shipped quantities of surgical instruments, all kinds of drugs, and hospital requirements, blankets, bandages, clothes, flour, maize, etc. Now that Montenegro has been taken by the Austrians we are unable to assist the poor, starving people who have not escaped. We are, however, doing our best to discover the refugees, both in Italy and France, so that we may, to some extent, relieve them in their terrible distress."

WAR CHEST.

The hon. secretary of the Citizens' War Chest Fund, 115 Pitt-street, acknowledges the following further donations:—Annual subscriptions, £31,400/15/; Old Gold and Silver War Fund, third donation, £108; Mrs. J. B. Baird, £2/2/6; Mrs. H. Le Gay Brereton, £5; Australian Jockey Club (monthly), £100; Guildford War Chest branch, Strathfield, £138; Mrs. G. Smith, Strathfield, sale of seedlings and flowers, £2; W. H. Friend, £25; Miss Waller (school), Rosewood, Victoria, £5/3/; employees Singer Sewing Machine Co., £21 5s. Total, £51,929/2/6.

Mr. Antill would be glad of more workers for making shirts, sacks, sandbags, and fly veils. Work can be done at the depot, 321 Pitt-street, or taken home.

SANDBAG FUND.

Subscriptions forwarded to the hon. treasurer, Mr. Wichard Stanton, 125 Pitt-street, Sydney:—Amount previously acknowledged, £2290/7/6; Miss J. Steffani, fourmedman collections, £2/8/7; Campsie Sandbag Committee, proceeds of concert, Mrs. Edna Edgar, £4/4; Campsie Sandbag Committee, £3/4/; Black Heath Sandbag Committee, £4/10/; Wellington Euchre party and dance, per Miss E. M. Nicholas, £14/10/; Enyra collections, per Miss Stanton, £2/7/9; Mrs. W. Gibson, £2/6/; and small sums. Total, £2320/1/.

PRIVATE PARCELS.

Mr. H. E. Bodden, Commissioner for the various Australian comforts funds, writes to the War Chest Committee:—"Parcels claimed and unclaimed to-day represent about 1500 each, for 1500 have been delivered, the total for the week has been 2000, and about 1500 remain to be delivered. The battalions have been returning all unclaimed parcels from their own funds cases, expecting us to locate their many addressees—an impossible task, unless we become both inquiry bureau and post office. With Colonel M'C. Anderson, Q.M.G., and Captain C. Fisher, D.A.P.S., it has been agreed that the post office will deliver freely the remainder of these returned parcels, and the Australian Comforts Funds will accept no more private parcels sent through Battalion Funds, or through the Australian Comforts Funds. All private parcels must in future be posted in Australia. Goods should be packed in white canvas, clearly addressed."

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday.

The Smithfield and Fairfield War Council has organised a patriotic carnival for Saturday, April 15, the proceeds to be devoted to the Returned Soldiers' Fund. An election of "queens" was held at the Smithfield Town Hall, and the following ladies were elected:—Miss R. Priestly (Fairfield), 4832 votes; Miss Brown (Smithfield), 3530 votes; and Mrs. Cosgrove (Wetherill Park), 1935. As a result of the election £132 has been received for the sale of tickets.

UNIVERSITY EVENING STUDENTS.

The annual meeting of the Sydney University Evening Students' Association was held in the union building last night, when the acting president, Mr. B. C. Harkness, occupied the chair. The annual report, which was presented by the hon. secretary, Mr. Frank P. Wheaton, stated that the membership was 155.

During the evening the matter of evening science lectures, leading to the B.Sc. degree, was discussed. It was stated that there seemed to be every prospect that from next year onwards men who had taken the science courses already available in the evening would be able to complete their work for the degree in the same way.

The following were elected as officers for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. Frank P. Wheaton; vice-president, Mr. B. C. Harkness; hon. secretary, Mr. P. B. Cox.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE WILLOUGHBY PHOTO-PLAYS.

The picture world was well represented yesterday forenoon at the initial screening of a new photo-play, entitled "The Joan of Arc of Loos," this being the first of a series now in preparation by Mr. George Willoughby, the well-known actor-manager. This Sydney-made 5000ft. reel drama pourtrayed the heroic story of Emilienne Moreau, providing a love interest, and showing the occupation of Lons by the Huns, the murder of Emilienne's aged father, the capture of her lover whilst bearing despatches, and his rescue by the heroine at the head of the allied forces, closing with her subsequent decoration by the French Commander-in-Chief for conspicuous bravery. Miss Jane King, as the heroine, Mr. Clive Farnham as the lover, Mr. Arthur Greenaway, and other artists appeared with success in a series of connected illustrative scenes, and the new star film met with unanimous expert approval on all sides.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

The inquiry into the protest lodged against Navaltum in the Maiden Handicap at Gosford on Tuesday was continued yesterday when it was adjourned until 11 a.m. to-morrow.

Mr. J. Underhill will receive nominations up to 5 o'clock to-day for the Ascot Racing Club's pony and galloway meeting on Wednesday, April 12.

The Rosehill Racing Club intimates that a limited number of stalls will be available for trainers, and that to secure them early applications will be necessary.

"F. H." (Balmain): M'Cabe rode Irishtown in the Nursery Handicap at Gosford on Tuesday. He did not ride in the Flying Handicap.

The Menangle Park Racing Club will hold a meeting to-day, for which 193 entries have been received. The first race will start at 2 o'clock, and special trains will leave Sydney at 10.30 (horses), 11.40, and 12.20.

LATEST SCRATCHINGS.

The following scratchings were recorded yesterday:—

A.J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.
Doncaster Handicap: Cetigne.

ROSEHILL MEETING.
Railway Stakes: Margarita.
Parramatta Mile: Hallmark.
All engagements: Clash of Arms, Two Blues.

VICTORIAN SPORTING.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Dr. W. H. Lang has been appointed handicapper to the V.R.C.

The V.A.T.C. committee decided to-day to retain him as their handicapper until the end of the financial year, August 31, when applications for a new official will be invited.

KENSINGTON RACING CLUB.

WOMBAH WINS KENSINGTON HANDICAP.

The Kensington Racing Club's pony and galloway meeting yesterday was run off in fine weather. The attendance was above the average, and the racing very close. Wombah won the Kensington Handicap; and the judge could not separate Shalum and Miss Myra at the finish of the Fourteen-two Handicap. Details:—

Maiden Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse 15 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the prize, 5½.—Olive May, by Farsee—Persian Queen, 2 yrs, 7st 11lb (H. Dove), 1; Lady Yuel, 8st 5lb (D. Cook), 2; Honodorous, 7st 9lb (G. Russell), 3. Other starters: Pride of Lancaster, 8st 5lb; Bonnie Actress, all 7lb, carried 7st 11lb; Union Jack, 7st 13lb; Flying Wilga, 7st 13lb; Fireplay, 7st 9lb; Elsie's Pride, 7st 7lb; Illawa, 7st 5lb; Sir Gambil, 7st 5lb; Lady Yuel, 8st 5lb; Lavina, 7st 2lb; Wyalla, 7st 2lb; Lady Desmaste, 7st 2lb; Miss Field, 7st 2lb; Marina, 7st 2lb; Fairfield, 7st 2lb; Maydair, 7st 2lb; Mary Ann, 7st 2lb; Ida Girl, 7st 2lb; Ribbon Cake, 7st 2lb; Sweet Lips, 7st 2lb; Sir Gambil, 7st 2lb; Miss Field, 7st 7lb; Lady Yuel, 8st 5lb; Lady Desmaste, all 5lb, carr 7st; Lass Lee, all 7lb, carr 6st 10lb. Betting: 7 to 4 v Olive May, 2 to 1 v Lady Yuel, 5 to 1 v Pride of Lancaster, 7 to 1 v Union Jack, 12 to 1 v Honodorous, 25 to 33 to 1 v the others. Won by a short head, three lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 10s.

Fourteen Hands Handicap of 100 sovs, second horse 15 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the prize, 5½.—Wombah, by Rapine—Flora, aged, 7st 5lb (W. Coles), 1; Gladys, 7st 7lb (A. C. Thomas), 2; Red Gipsy, 9st 8lb (W. Evans), 3. Other starters: Atherdon, 7st 7lb; Iola, 10st 3lb; Lord Hope, 8st 7lb; Honey moon, 7st 12lb; Lassy Always, 7st 13lb; Green and White, 7st 7lb; High Explosive, 7st 5lb, inc. 2lb over, Betting: 2 to 1 v Atherdon, 7 to 2 v Gladys, 4 to 1 v Wombah, 5 to 1 v Red Gipsy, 15 to 1 v Lord Hope, 12 to 1 v Honeymoon, 25 to 33 to 1 each v the others. Won by a short head, a head between second and third. Time, 1m 5s.

Flying Handicap of 100 sovs, second horse 15 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the prize, 5½.—First division: Dungannon, by Warroo—Dunmore Gyra, 8st 3lb (W. James), 1; Arakoon, 7st 13lb (H. Dove), 2; Golden Gauntlet, all 7lb, carr 7st 8lb (Ridley), 3. Other starters: Crimson and Velvet, 9st 10lb; John Porter, 9st; Orama, 8st 12lb; Loud Report, all 8lb, car 8st 6lb; Best Scot, 8st 5lb; Coin, 7st 11lb; Ruby Brown, 7st 7lb; Schottische, 7st 7lb; Linette, all 5lb, carr 7st 7lb; Harbour, 7st 10lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v Best Scot, 3 to 1 v John Porter, 7 to 1 v Arakoon, 8 to 1 v Dungannon, 9 to 1 v Golden Gauntlet, 12 to 1 v 20 to 1 v Coin, 25 to 1 v the others. Won by a length and a half between second and third. Time, 1m 9s.

Second division: Sylvanell, by Sylvanite—Pretty Vell, 8st 3lb (Dr. Wall, sen.), 1; King Lady, 8st 3lb (Quigley), 2; Porter, all, 3lb, carr, 7st 11lb (R. Killian), 3. Other starters: Kaloolah, 8st 2lb; Wallingford, 8st 2lb; Miserere, 8st 2lb; North Star, 8st; Spanish Gipsy, 8st; Mr. Donald, 8st; Leigh, 8st; Sundial, 8st; Cardia, all, 7lb, carr, 7st 5lb. Betting: Even money on Sylvanell, 6 to 1 v Leigh, 7 to 1 each v King Lady and Sundial, 10 to 1 v Porter, 12 to 1 v Cardia, 25 to 1 each v the others. Won by a length, three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time, 1m 9s.

Third division: Lady Sydney, by Calman (imp.)—Hellas, aged, all, 5lb, carr, 7st 5lb (J. Strachan), 1; Phast Lad, all, 5lb, carr, 7st 7lb (J. Varley), 2; Sydney Girl, 7st 11lb (W. Smith), 3. Other starters: The Sheave, all, 7lb, carr, 7st 5lb; Maud Emily, 7st 12lb; Miss Bolores, 7st 12lb; Cassada, 7st 12lb; Wyalla, 7st 12lb; Tournaline, 7st 10lb; Mosell, 7st 10lb; Lady Wanken, 7st 10lb; Anson, 7st 8lb. Betting: 7 to 2 v Wyalla, 4 to 1 v Lady Sydney, 9 to 2 v Mosell, 7 to 1 each v Glenettie and Cassada, 8 to 1 v The Sheave, 10 to 1 v Miss Bolores, 12 to 1 v Phast Lad, 25 to 33 to 1 each v the others. Won by a length, three lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 10s.

Handicap.—Sylvanell (Watterson), 1; Dungannon (James), 2; Lady Sydney (Strachan), 3. Betting: 6 to 4 on Sylvanell, 5 to 4 v Dungannon, 12 to 1 v Lady Sydney. Won by a head. Time, 1m 9⅘.

Welter Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse 15 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the prize, 5½.—Honodorous, by Merry (imp.)—Flavia, aged, 10st 12lb (W. Evans), 1; Atherdon, 8st 6lb (W. Beach), 2; Thus Merv, 7st 5lb (A. Thomas), 3. Other starters: Received, 9st 2lb; Kerrick Girl, 8st 2lb; Dew Boy, 7st 11lb; Orange Bloom, 7st 11lb; Wilton Rose, all 7lb; Sandella, 7st 10lb; Calipha, all 7lb, carr, 7st 2lb; Lady Seachal, 7st 7lb; Adnama, all 3lb, carr 7st 4lb; Merlee, 7st 5lb; Silverfield, 7st 5lb; Native Rose, 7st 5lb; Top Square, 7st 6lb, inc 3lb over. Betting: 5 to 2 v Merrick Girl, 4 to 1 v Atherdon, 5 to 1 v Honodorous, 7 to 1 each v Jew Boy and Received, 20 to 1 v Thus Merv, 30 to 25 to 1 each v the others. Won by three-quarters of a length, a length and a half between second and third. Time, 1m 8⅘.

Encourage Stakes of 100 sovs; second horse 15 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the prize, 1m. Never Mind, by Legation—Lady Bern, 3yrs, 8st 5lb (H. Dove), 1; Phyllis May, 8st (G. Willis), 2; Plumella, 7st 5lb (A. Thomas), 3. Other starters: Gunner Bill, 8st 5lb; Helvinia, 8st 2lb; Derstine, 7st 11lb; Bride Elect, 7st 7lb; Fortune, 7st 5lb; Fairy Queen, 7st 5lb; Dollar, 7st 9lb, inc, 4lb over; Elimark, 7st 7lb, inc 2lb over; Master Hawthorn, 7st 5lb; Sealed Lips, 7st 5lb, inc, 4lb over; Ladiform, 7st 5lb; Glorious, 7st 5lb; Mary Ann, 7st 5lb; Defiance, 7st 5lb; Helvinia, 8 to 1 v Gunner Bill, 6 to 1 each v Phyllis May and Never Mind, 7 to 1 v Ladiform, 12 to 1 v Plumella, 15 to 25 to 1 each v the others. Won by three lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 1m 46s.

Kensington Handicap, of 100 sovs, second horse 15 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the prize, 1m.—Wombah, by Skipper (imp.)—Adnam, aged, 8st 5lb (H. Dove), 1; Wherry, 9st 7lb (W. Evans), 2; Halcyon, 7st 13lb (W. James), 3. Other starters: John Bull, 8st 10lb; Postelite, 8st 6lb; The Field, 8st 4lb; Bunba, 7st 13lb; Scarlette Trent, all 5lb, carr 7st 9lb; Jackomy, 7st 7lb; Wilbur, 7st 5lb; Bernto, 7st 5lb; Monarta, all 5lb, carr, 7st 5lb; Galanthus, 7st 5lb; Jingo Jess, all 3lb, carr 7st 3lb; Shalum, all 7lb, carr, 6st 8lb; Sturdee, all, 7lb, carr, 6st 8lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v John Porter, 4 to 1 v Wherry, 6 to 1 v Halcyon, 7 to 1 v Wombah, 8 to 1 v Bernto, 10 to 1 v Jingo Jess, 12 to 1 each v the others. Won by half a length, a length and a half between second and third. Time, 1m 4⅘.

Fourteen-two Handicap of 100 sovs, second horse 15 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the prize, 5½.—Nicolum, by Possidon—Warfare, 8yrs, 8st 4lb (W. Ullyman), 1; Miss Myra, 9st (Mr. Jim), 2; Shalum, 7st 7lb (W. Manning), 3. Little Merv, 7st 12lb (M. Kenny), 3. Other starters: Simfield, 9st 4lb; Clysmic, 8st 2lb; Almafield, 7st 12lb; Robadil Maid, all 7lb, carr 7st 5lb; Ali There, 7st 12lb; Maydair, all 3lb, carr, 7st 9lb; Skimpy, 7st 12lb; Idle Girl, 7st 10lb; Ribbon Cake, 7st 7lb; Marina, 7st 7lb; Fairfield, all 5lb, carr, 7st 4lb; Miss Field, 7st 7lb; My Jean, 7st 5lb; Lady Desmaste, all 5lb, carr 7st; Lass Lee, all 7lb, carr, 6st 10lb. Betting: 7 to 4 v Shalum, 3 to 1 v Miss Myra, 10 to 25 to 1 each v the others. * Dead heat, third three lengths away. Time, 1m 10s. Owners divided.

MUSWELLBROOK RACES.

BOOKMAKERS STRIKE.

MUSWELLBROOK, Wednesday.

The Muswellbrook races were held to-day, the weather was fine and pleasant, and the attendance was large. The ground was good, the fields large, and the course was in first-class order. The bookmakers represented the raising of the charge for the paddock to ten shillings, and their refusal to go in, consequently the paddock was poorly patronised, and the club suffered a heavy loss. Results:—

Flying Handicap, 6f.—S. Johnston's Blue Tilly, 9st (Hawkins), 1; J. Hourigan's laky, 8st 10lb (Hourigan), 2; E. Simmon's Sandella, 8st 4lb (Quigley), 3. Other starters: Mersina, 9st 9lb; Harrington, 7st 9lb; Light Garde, 7st 9lb; Dunmaster. Betting: 6 to 4 v laky, 2 to 1 v Sandella, 6 to 1 v Blue Tilly. Won by a short head, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 16⅘.

Trial Handicap, 6f.—Houston's Bellawa, by Balarious—Reproach, 8st (Hamilton), 1; A. Bowman's Miss Kensington, 8st 2lb (Fuller), 2; W. F. M'Donald's Gonetta, 8st 8lb (Quigley), 3. Other starters: Allaca, 8st 3lb; Chromatic, 8st 6lb; Quasar, 8st 3lb; Morven, 8st; Rorie Queen, 8st. Betting: Even money on Gonetta, 5 to 1 v Bellawa, 6 to 1 v Miss Kensington. Won by a neck, a length between second and third. Time, 1m 17⅘.

Muswellbrook Handicap, 7f.—W. F. M'Donald's Mandini, 7st 12lb (Quigley), 1; E. Simmon's Sandella, 8st 9lb (Callinan), 2; P. Williams's Karkee, 8st 7lb (Hincks), 3. Other starters: laky, 8st 9lb; Jingo Joss, 8st 7lb; Grace Melton, 7st 11b. Betting: Even money on Mandini, 3 to 1 v Jingo Joss, 4 to 1 v laky, 5 to 1 v Kirkee, 8 to 1 v Sandella. Won very easily by a length, a length between second and third. Time, 1m 29s.

Park Handicap, 6f.—J. Thorley's Lady Morton, by Mertondale—Maribella, 7st 2lb (Bathell), 1; G. Kelly's Yeralba, 8st 3lb (Green), 2; P. Heuston's Balawa, 8st 7lb (Hamilton), 3. Other starters: Harrington, 8st 7lb; Spring, 7st 12lb; Attaca, 7st 9lb; Brown Toy, 7st 8lb; Rorie King, 7st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 4 v Yeralba, 3 to 1 v Balawa, 5 to 1 each v Orpine and Lady Morton, 8 to 10 to 1 v others. Won easily by two lengths. Time, 1m 17⅘.

Welter Handicap, 1m.—J. G. Rutley's Chief Garde, by En Garde—Lady Kingsley, 7st 7lb (Ruttley), 1; J. Alford's Jingo Joss, 8st 12lb, (Hingerty), 2; E. J. Doherty's Grace Melton, 7st 7lb (Bennett), 3. Phillah, 8st 2lb, also started. Betting: 2 to 1 on Chief Garde, 2 to 1 v Jingo Joss. Any price the others. Won by six lengths, five lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 49⅘.

VICTORIA PARK RACING CLUB.

The following are the weights for Saturday—

Flying Handicap, 5f.—Briseis, 11st 11lb; Cerise Colours, 9st 13lb; Hot Air, 9st 12lb; Toinette, 9st 8lb; Moving Picture, 9st 5lb; Fille Dormi, 8st 10lb; Dunnamon, 8st 8lb; Happy Lady, 8st 4lb; Karool, 8st 4lb; Best Scot, 8st; Sylvatic, 8st; Lavus, 7st 12lb; Arakoom, 7st 12lb; Steel On, 7st 11lb; Ruby Brown, 7st 10lb; Agnes Banks, 7st 10lb; Vallegio, 7st 10lb; Clarence, 7st 10lb; Kind Lady, 7st 10lb; Canley, 7st 10lb; Schottische, 7st 10lb; Linette, 7st 9lb; Reflect, 7st 9lb; Rejected, 7st 9lb; Kalcolah, 7st 9lb; Leigh, 7st 7lb; Mars, 7st 7lb; Rosmanda, 7st 6lb; Aurora, 7st 6lb; Tourmaline, 7st 5lb; Miss Dolores, 7st 5lb; Casalia, 7st 5lb; Spanish Gypsie, 7st 5lb; Aconda, 7st 5lb; Holiday, 7st 5lb; Eastern Sky, 7st 5lb; Ayrina, 7st 5lb; Rivetta, 7st 5lb; Mostil, 7st 5lb; Malise, 7st 5lb; Cashier, 7st 5lb; Gallipoli, 7st 5lb; Rosebrook, 7st 5lb; Teralba, 7st 5lb; Merv Leigh, 7st 5lb.

Maiden Handicap, 5f.—Sheila, 8st 7lb; Lady Yuel, 8st 7lb; Fleeting Shadow, 8st 5lb; Gulliver, 8st 5lb; Wy Bounds, 8st 2lb; Alderman, 8st; Red Saint, 7st 12lb; Bonnie Actress, 7st 12lb; Kismet, 7st 12lb; Hosea, 7st 11lb; Moriarty, 7st 11lb; Your Palm, 7st 11lb; Miss Brew, 7st 10lb; Union Jack, 7st 9lb; Fair Stitch, 7st 9lb; Blue Girl, 7st 7lb; Lilydoone, 7st 7lb; Flying Angel, 7st 5lb; Phillip's Chance, 7st 7lb; Zythum, 7st 7lb; Dilia, 7st 5lb; Illawa, 7st 5lb; Pharosedge, 7st 5lb; Brewery, 7st 5lb; Elsie's Pride, 7st 5lb; Turco, 7st 5lb; Electric Light, 7st 5lb; Master Rosens, 7st 5lb; Renealto, 7st 5lb; Ray Ruby, 7st 5lb; Creolin, 7st 5lb; Miss Zythos, 7st 5lb.

Handicap Race, 1m.—Three Boys, 10st 4lb; Rajah, 10st 4lb; Duke of Wagga, 10st 4lb; Lord Haven, 10st 2lb; Naroon, 9st 7lb; Tandy, 9st 7lb; Porter, 8st 12lb; Clifford, 8st 10lb; Rialto, 8st 10lb; Dunalaster, 8st 10lb; Maud Emily, 8st 9lb; Graphone, 8st 9lb; Galaugwya, 8st 7lb; Queen Signora, 8st 7lb; Piney Ridge, 8st 7lb; Rose, 8st 7lb; Little Trent, 8st 7lb; Prince Fontana, 8st 7lb; Gallica, 8st 7lb; Webimble, 8st 7lb; Panderoll, 8st 7lb; Peterloo, 8st 7lb.

Fourteen-one Handicap, 4f.—Malster, 9st 7lb; Ellen Moore, 9st 4lb; Iola, 9st; Wreloch, 8st 10lb; Mountain Dame, 8st 8lb; L. I. T., 8st 2lb; Kilroy, 8st 2lb; Mary, 8st; Dolly Rathbone, 8st; Barbaradale, 8st; Dew Boy, 8st; Toy Bell, 7st 12lb; Cherry Graft, 7st 11lb; Calipe, 7st 11lb; Agnes May, 7st 8lb; Queen Adorable, 7st 7lb; Chelsie, 7st 6lb; Carrymoore, 7st 6lb; Stellaheld, 7st 5lb; Like Air, 7st 5lb; County Monaghan, 7st 5lb; Long Pocket, 7st 5lb; Night King, 7st 5lb; Livorette, 7st 5lb; Gladys, 7st 5lb; Snip, 7st 4lb; Plaintz, 7st 5lb; Lois, 7st 5lb.

Encourage Stakes, 8f.—Mazarillo, 8st 7lb; Zalero, 8st 2lb; Larinot, 8st 2lb; Taurus, 8st 2lb; Devatine, 8st; Tialgal, 8st; Crown Gem, 8st; Parcelle, 7st 13lb; Golden Horn, 7st 11lb; Urilla, 7st 10lb; Mimer's Daughter, 7st 10lb; Idle Girl, 7st 9lb; Euchella, 7st 8lb; Lady Cacaque, 7st 7lb; Famous Like, 7st 7lb; Uncle Tim, 7st 7lb; Lavetta, 7st 7lb; Brilliant, 7st 7lb; Miss Woodlark, 7st 7lb; Moriarty, 7st 6lb; Poss Post, 7st 5lb; Warrabee, 7st 5lb; Cooraman, 7st 5lb; Sparkle, 7st 5lb; Haphazard, 7st 5lb; Taranes Lad, 7st 5lb; Myree, 7st 5lb; Golden Dollar, 7st 5lb; Marriott Collins, 7st 5lb; Broma, 7st 5lb; Blemish Bill, 7st 5lb; Carmelia, 7st 5lb; Lady Lena, 7st 5lb.

Victoria Park Handicap, 7f.—Briseis, 11st; Flambard, 10st 8lb; Wherry, 9st 6lb; Cobbanoo, 9st 3lb, Crimson and Black, 9st 7lb; John Porter, 8st 10lb; Clanfera, 8st 7lb; Postelite, 8st 7lb; Merv Blend, 8st 4lb; Delfid, 8st 2lb; Duchess of Marie, 7st 10lb; Arakoon, 7st 10lb; Doughboy, 7st 10lb; Scarlet Trent, 7st 7lb; Paderewski, 7st 7lb; Alwyn, 7st 7lb; Cash Box, 7st 6lb; O'Shea, 7st 4lb; Lavetta, 7st 4lb; Cable News, 7st 4lb; Furtilla, 7st 3lb; Benito, 7st 5lb; Lady Whitton, 7st 5lb; Lord Cress, 7st 5lb; Phanopa, 7st 5lb; Yucca, 7st 5lb; Golden Sun, 7st 5lb; Glenettie, 7st 5lb; Goodwin Sands, 7st 5lb.

14.2 Handicap, 4½.—Curenot, 9st 4lb; Melton Maid, 8st 10lb; Real Silk, 8st 10lb; Caress, 8st 5lb; Sir Merv, 8st 5lb; Smart Gallitor, 8st; Little Merv, 8st; Bobadil Maid, 8st; Lady Sydney, 8st; Nut Brown, 7st; Bobadil Maid, 7st 12lb; Gibuou, 7st 12lb; Almafield, 7st 10lb; Chetland, 7st 10lb; Field Queen, 7st 9lb; Milan, 7st 9lb; Skimpy, 7st 9lb; Lady Fortune, 7st 7lb; Glaricia, 7st 7lb; My Delight, 7st 7lb; Fairfield, 7st 7lb; Lily Aymer, 7st 7lb; Morven Lass, 7st 7lb; Plantress, 7st 7lb; Miss Field, 7st 7lb; Right Angle, 7st 7lb; Marina, 7st 7lb; Mavis, 7st 6lb; Speedwell, 7st 6lb; Malvena, 7st 5lb; Little Boy, 7st 5lb; Ribbon Cake, 7st 5lb; Rainbow, 7st 5lb; Monday, 7st 5lb; Lord Belfield, 7st 5lb; Merv Heath, 7st 5lb; Sleep, 7st 5lb; Silvanell, 7st 5lb; Lavus, 7st 12lb.

Handicap, 6f.—Rajah, 10st 4lb; Lord Haven, 10st 2lb; Naroon, 9st 7lb; Tandy, 9st 7lb; Porter, 8st 12lb; Clifford, 8st 10lb; Rialto, 8st 10lb; Dunalaster, 8st 10lb; Maud Emily, 8st 9lb; Graphone, 8st 9lb; Galaugwya, 8st 7lb; Queen Signora, 8st 7lb; Piney Ridge, 8st 7lb; Rose, 8st 7lb; Little Trent, 8st 7lb; Prince Fontana, 8st 7lb; Gallica, 8st 7lb; Webimble, 8st 7lb; Panderoll, 8st 7lb; Peterloo, 8st 7lb.

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With the Easter Season close at hand every woman will want to look her best, and as Neckwear will play a prominent part in the scheme of Dress we invite early inspection to a choice assortment of Neckwear just opened. Some very charming Crepe de Chines have also been opened. These are ideal for Evening Wear.

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PRICE ..... 1/6½ each.

Knitted Art Silk and Cotton Scarfs, plain colours, 36 inches long, 8 inches wide, in Saxe, Navy, Emerald, Cerise, Cinnamon, Cream, Vieux Rose, and Orange, fringed ends to match.
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Special value in Neckwear Oddments in assorted shapes and styles, in both Muslin and Lace effects, comprising Collars, Fichus, Ruches, Jabots, in a variety of styles, all reduced to one special price ..... 6½d each.

NOVELTIES IN CREPE DE CHINES AT GRACE BROS.'

Crepe de Chine, 42 inches wide, in Black, Ivory, Cream, Pale Pink, Sky, Saxe, Brown, Navy, Prune, and Mole.
PRICE ..... Built on a broad-lining lace, kid lined and finished perforated vamp. Excellent Shoes for autumn wear. Posted, 9d extra.
Other Qualities ..... 5/11 and 7/6 per yd.
42-inch Silk Georgette, suitable for Evening Blouses or Gowns. A fabric highly fashionable and much sought after, in Blacks, Ivory, Pale Pink, Sky, and Navy.
PRICE ..... 4/6 per yard.
42-inch Silk Ninon in Black, Ivory, Cream, Sky, Light Navy, Dark Navy, Saxe, Nattier, Violet, Mole, Brown, and Nigger.
PRICE ..... 2/3 per yard.
Better Quality ..... 2/11 per yard.
The Department is now showing a lovely selection of Beaded Flouncings, in widths from 12 to 27 inches wide. These are something quite new, and really choice, and are most suitable for present vogue.

SPECIAL VALUES IN EMBROIDERIES AT GRACE BROS.'

WONDERFUL VALUE IN READY-MADE FLOUNCES FOR UNDERSKIRTS.

Ready-made Flounces for Underskirts made of a nice quality Cambric Embroidery neatly tucked and finished at the top with ribbon-hole beading. These Flounces measure 3 yards wide at foot and 2 yards at the top.
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PRICE ..... 4½d per yard.
Cambric Edging, good, open designs, 8½ in. wide, splendid variety to select from.
PRICE ..... 4½d per yard
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